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IN THE PRE-COLONIAL DAYS. Students at the West Intermediate School got a lesson in the way that life had been for Native Americans prior to the days of colonial settlement. Guest Rob Aptaker, seen here, from left to right, with Brittani French, Stephanie LaVita, Tim Patric and Christina Brown, taught students about the language and tools used by Native Americans. According to Aptaker, Native Americans used plants, stones, skin and bones to make their tools and materials. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

McCoy investigation

Ethics Commission to receive chief's report

By SHAWN P. SULLIVAN

WILMINGTON - The seven-month investigation of allegations that had been made against Selectman Michael McCoy entered another phase on Monday night when Police Chief Bernard Nally told the Board of Selectmen that he will forward the findings of his department to the State Ethics Commission.

During a selectmen meeting on April 8, Chief Nally was directed by the board to investigate claims that, in 1999, Selectman McCoy approached abutters to Focaccia Restaurant on Lowell Street and offered to fund the appeal of a permit that had been granted to Robert and Peter DePesa. The DePesas, who own and operate the eatery, had been trying at the time to open their restaurant at Square One on Route 129.

Selectman Chairman Robert Cain, who was one of the individuals who claimed that he was approached by McCoy, first made the charge last spring. McCoy has categorically denied that any such incident had taken place.

At the selectmen meeting on Monday, November 25, Nally summarized four conclusions that have been drawn by his department after a series of interviews and polygraph tests and other such inquiries. According to Nally, the following violations "may have occurred." As a result, he believes that . . .

1) . . . there is enough credible evidence that McCoy directly offered to pay legal fees to Selectman Cain to induce him to "file or participate in" a lawsuit against the Town of Wilmington regarding the permit granted to the DePesas by the Board of Appeals. A violation of such a statute carries civil penalties only.

2) . . . there is enough credible evidence that McCoy acted as an "agent" for someone else in a claim against the town by soliciting and offering to finance both a residential abutter and a commercial abutter to file the appeal. Such a violation, if proven true, could carry criminal and civil penalties.

3) . . . there is enough credible evidence that McCoy participated in his capacity as a municipal employee at two hearings of the Board of Appeals in speaking out against the permit and providing assistance, by way of an affidavit, in the civil lawsuit that was indeed filed against the town.

"It does not appear that Selectman McCoy's participation involved a determination of general policy, nor was his particular financial interest, as a restaurant owner on Lowell Street, shared by the general population of the town," stated Nally.

This violation too, if found true, carries criminal and civil penalties.

4) . . . there is credible evidence that McCoy attempted to persuade Nally to delay the investigation against him on April 9, the day after the police department was directed to look into the allegations. According to Nally, McCoy, who has always asserted that the probe was politically motivated, was concerned that the investigation would adversely

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First of three library forums

Choice of Whitefield School explained

By LISA CRISPIN

WILMINGTON - On Thursday, November 23, the first of three public forums was held so that town officials and an architect could assist residents who had questions about the revised feasibility study for a new library that has been proposed.

In August, a special town meeting was held as a result of a petition that was put forth by residents Suzanne Sullivan and Daniel Woodbury. At that meeting, voters rescinded an article that was passed by residents in April, in which $550,000 had been allocated for the development of a design for a new library at the site of the Whitefield School in North Wilmington. Voters also rejected a second article at that summer meeting in which it was proposed that the facility instead be built at the Swain School near the Town Common.

The forum last Thursday convened at the Wilmington Memorial Library. It was the first of three that have been scheduled in response to the criticism of some residents who felt that they did not have enough time to research the initial feasibility study for the library that was released earlier this year. The next forum will be held at the Buzzell Senior Center at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, December 4. The final one will be held at 7 p.m. in the auditorium of the Wilmington Middle School on Wednesday, January 15.

Library Director Christina Stewart, Library Board of Trustees Chairperson Mary Deislinger and Town Manager Michael Caira gave presentations during the forum. So too did R. Drayton Fair, who is an architect from Tappe Associates, the firm that has been

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Hamlin Lane burglary

Stolen weapons cache recovered

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - Authorities have recovered a cache of 15 weapons and thousands of dollars in jewelry that had been stolen from a residence on Hamlin Lane in Wilmington last Wednesday.

The missing items, which had included a rocket launcher, were located at a home in Billerica on Thursday, November 21, through a joint effort of the Wilmington and Billerica Police Departments.

David Forster, 37, who lives on Stonehedge Drive in Wilmington, is presently being held without bail in the Middlesex Jail in Cambridge on charges related to the thefts.

According to Inspector Tom Miller of the Wilmington Police Department, the burglary on Hamlin Drive apparently occurred sometime between 3 p.m. and 10 p.m. The homeowner arrived home that evening and immediately realized what had happened and called the police right away.

"The homeowner had gun locks in place and had them stored properly," said Inspector Miller. "There was no wrong doing on their part."

Inspector Miller wants to make it very clear that there is "absolutely no connection suspected" between Forster and the resident of the burglarized home. When asked if the house was targeted by Forster responded that the crime, "wasn't random, but we are still working on leads."

Wilmington detectives made it known in appropriate circles that they were looking for the stolen weapons and received a key tip from an informant. According to Miller, the informant "happened to be in the right place at the right time."

Working on that tip, Wilmington police alerted the Billerica Police

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Wilmington lives lost at Coconut Grove

Thursday marks 60th anniversary of historic fire

By LARZ F. NEILSON

November 28 is the 60th anniversary of the worst fire in Boston history, the Coconut Grove. And though many who remembered it first-hand are now themselves gone, the tragedy is not forgotten.

In Wilmington, the news was especially sad. Of the 492 persons who died in the fire, four lived in Wilmington, all brothers. Another victim was a local schoolteacher, Mildred Rogers, who lived in Lowell.

Like many others who went to the Coconut Grove that night in 1942, the Fitzgerald party had gone to the Boston College - Holy Cross game that afternoon. There were 13 in the party, which was celebrating the return of Henry Fitzgerald from Hendricks Field in Florida. Henry, 28, was a

Private First Class in the Army Air Corps. Henry had four brothers, Eddie, John, Jim and Wilfred and two sisters, Anna and Mary.

Eddie was living in Chicago, and was not home for the event. But his four brothers decided to celebrate, and they each had a date that night. Jim, the caretaker at the Silver Lake School, was accompanied by Mildred Rogers, who taught at the school.

John was an executive with the Boston and Maine Railroad, and was associated with Northeast Airlines, which the B&M owned at that time.

Wilfred was in construction, building churches around New England. Henry had brought an Army friend home on furlough. He was the only person in the party without a date.

The Coconut Grove was the

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Santa will be there on Dec. 7

Ice sculptor returns for annual tree lighting

By SHAWN P. SULLIVAN

WILMINGTON - It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, and, on Saturday, December 7, it will appear even more so in Wilmington.

That's when the community will hold its beloved, annual tree lighting ceremony at the town common.

The event, which is being sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, the Kiwanis Club and the Wilmington Council of Churches, will kick off at six that evening, but, as many residents know from experience, the fun will have begun long before then.

Make that three o'clock, to be exact. That's when Eric Fontecchio, a professional sculptor from the Brookline Ice Company, will start chipping away at a block of ice to make a sculptor for all merrymakers to behold. Fontecchio is well known to those who have swung by the common for the festivities these

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Boy Scout Evan Walsh

Looking for blankets for the homeless

By AIMEE MAILLETT

WILMINGTON - In the cold weather that is to come, it is hard to imagine the trying mornings spent sitting in your car, waiting for it to warm up before heading to work. Eventually, the frost slowly transforms into beads of water on your windshield, and your icy breath becomes warm gusts of air.

Now imagine enduring this unforgiving New England weather outside, on the streets, with only an old winter coat, never entertaining the fact that in just a few minutes everything will be warmed up and your day will begin.

Evan Walsh, a freshman at Wilmington High School, thought of a simple way to make the winter a little easier on the homeless in Boston. From November 28 to December 20, the 14-year-old boy scout will conduct a blanket drive for the homeless who visit the Boston Rescue Mission.

The drive will fulfill a requirement for his advancement to Eagle Scout rank as his Eagle Scout Leadership Service Project.

"Last year I went to the Boston Rescue Mission and saw they were in need of stuff," Walsh says, recalling the time he volunteered last Christmas

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HELPING THE HOMELESS. Boy Scout Evan Walsh has a great idea that will help keep warm the homeless in Boston during the cold months ahead. He and some of his fellow scouts will be collecting blankets in the weeks ahead and bringing them to a shelter down in the city. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

CORRECTION. In last week's edition of the Town Crier, it was written in an article titled "Registrars reject residency challenge" that Barbara Buck, the Chairperson of the Board of Registrars, made a motion to reject the residency challenge posed by Selectman Michael McCoy. It should have instead been written that Town Clerk Kay Scanlon had made the motion.



AN ELECTRIC PRESENTATION. The North Intermediate School PAC recently sponsored a science assembly that featured Tom Wahle from Techsploration. The fifth graders learned about simple machines, while the fifth graders learned about some "shocking" facts about electricity. At right in the picture above is Wahle, seen here during a demonstration of static electricity. He is joined by veteran music teacher Deb Stolar and first-year fourth grade teacher Sharon Tener. (courtesy photo)

Rotary Club presents Hats Off Awards to TMHS students

TEWKSBURY - Amy MacDonald, daughter of Luanne and Peter MacDonald of Michigan Road, Tewksbury and Julianne Marie Bradley, daughter of Daniel J. and Louise R. Bradley of Hood Road, have been named Hat's Off Award winners for the month of November at Tewksbury Memorial High School. The program is sponsored by the Tewksbury Rotary Club.

Amy MacDonald

Among Amy's educational highlights are numerous TMHS Renaissance Gold and Silver Cards; Red and Blue Cards and she is a member of the National Honor Society.

Extracurricular activities include ninth and 11th grade Drama Club membership, Student Council Secretary and she served as chairperson of various events through Student Council.

Amy studied karate at the Self Defense Institute and among her special achievements are the Student Council Spirit Award and Gold and Silver Cards.

Among her community service, Amy volunteers at the concession stand at the monthly Wynn Middle School dances; Church mission trip to Washington, D.C., 1999; Church mission trip to Russia, 2001; Church mission trip to Trinidad, 2002; and various community service projects are done on these church trips.

Amy's work experience includes child care teacher at Grace Chapel, September 1999 to present. Lately, each summer she has been traveling internationally and plans to continue to travel in college. One of her major goals in life is to travel around the world.

Nominating faculty member, Ms. Linda Hair-Sullivan says that Amy is an excellent student and an excellent volunteer in her church.

Julianne Marie Bradley

Julianne is the recipient of numerous TMHS Renaissance Gold and Silver Cards and has been named to the Principal's list and High honor roll several times.

She is a member of the Student Council, National Honor Society, the Yearbook Committee and she participated in the National Leadership Conference.

She was a member of the winter track team, 2002 and plans to participate in spring track, 2003.

Among her special achievements are being elected as a captain of the winter track team, received "Determination Award" from Student Council, Awarded Honorable Mention at Art Show.

She has been involved in Thursday evening summer track meets, counselor at track camp and has served as a tutor for a fifth grade student.

Her work experience includes a paper route from 1999-2001 and at present concession stand worker at Lowell Memorial Auditorium.

Her attendance at school is 100 percent since grade three.

Nominating faculty member, Ms. Jennifer E. Spaulding, says that Julianne is a bright, enthusiastic young lady who always works hard and tries to help others. She is admired and appreciated by all.

Member Mr. Steven Levine says that Julianne demonstrates outstanding volunteer work, including charity drives. Her accomplishments as an all around student are clearly evident.

Lepore earns highest GPA at Salem State

WILMINGTON - Jodi Lepore, who "really struggled" through four years at Arlington Catholic High School, has attained the highest grade point average of any senior at Salem State College this academic year.

Her 3.98 GPA in the School of Social Work is inspired by volunteer work she performed at House of Hope for Children, a shelter in Houston.

"I never considered college as an option after high school," she said.

Instead, Lepore volunteered to help abused and neglected children with HIV. This experience motivated Lepore to apply to college.

"I knew that I needed a college degree to really make a difference in this field. The children at the shelter gave me the confidence I needed," Lepore reflected.

Patricia M. Connolly, a mentor to Lepore and a School of Social Work Professor, comments, "She can always be counted on to use her critical thinking skills along with her enormous heart in order to get the real essence of her subject or her job."

Lepore was the featured student speaker and recipient of the Outstanding Senior Award at the recent 21st Annual Academic Convocation. "This award has validated the idea that I can do it and now I am looking forward to graduate study," explains Lepore.

In addition to her achievement at Salem State College, Lepore recently received the Daniel Aaron Collins Memorial Scholarship and the Richard W. Webbe & Alumni Plaza Scholarship.

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It's Your Money
by Joyce Brisbois



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Sometimes it's smart to review and amend past tax returns. Most often, it's because new laws or new information make it possible for you to claim refunds that you missed the first time around.

Occasionally, laws are passed offering retroactive tax breaks, like the 2002 law offering bonus depreciation for business equipment. Certain 2001 laws regarding business - car depreciation and the net-operating-loss carryback may be worth looking at, too.

More likely, a taxpayer may have overlooked a deduction worth taking, or can provide documentation not available before. Perhaps a security has been declared worthless. Or, in the case of a casualty loss in a disaster area, ti may be advisalbe to deduct the loss right away, amending last year's return.

Here is the rule: usually, a taxpayer has three years from the date a return was filed. It is extended to seven years in the case of worthless securities.

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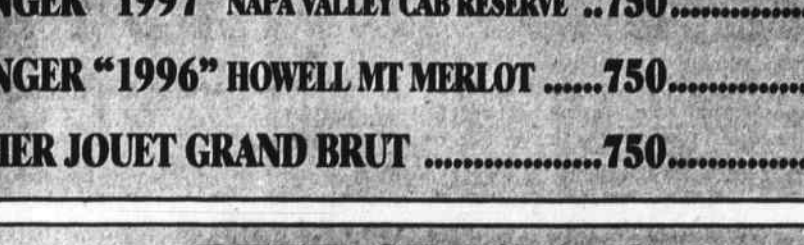
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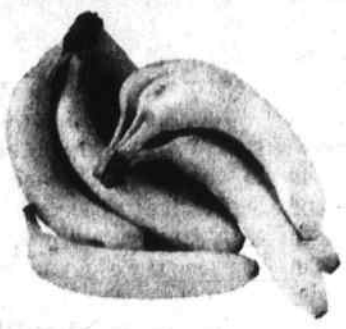
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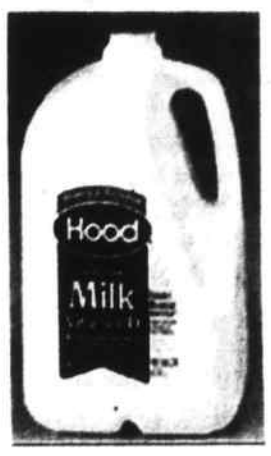
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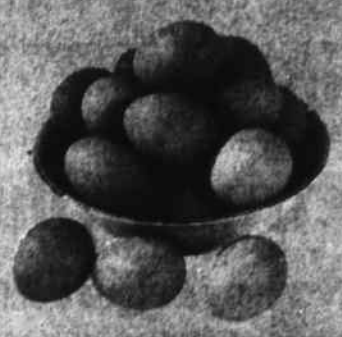
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OPINION

From the Editor's Desk

By Shawn P. Sullivan

Not everybody enjoys politics

The political state in Wilmington is growing sorrier with each passing day.

When you think about it, the current condition of local politics has been in the making all year long.

It began last spring, when Selectmen Robert Cain and Michael McCoy battled their way through a campaign of allegations and outbursts and sleazy stumping in an election in which only one of the men were in the running.

It continued into the summer with a fight between those who wanted a new library at the Whitefield School and those who preferred to see one at the Swain School.

It caught fire in the fall, when the Board of Selectmen embarrassed itself with repeated failed attempts to fill a vacancy on the board.

And now, just as the year is about to draw to a close, it has culminated with the conclusion of a police investigation that has found its way to the State Ethics Commission.

You can imagine the folks at the ethics commission bracing themselves. *Hold on tight. Here comes Wilmington.*

Politics is nothing new, especially in a small town. Heck, it's a part of the game. The alliances, the sworn enemies, the personalities, the smooth moves, the backfires . . . it's all theater, made tried and true by those who thrive on debate and conflict and have the stomach for the plots, cheap shots, the agony, the ecstasy.

Politicians like Cain and McCoy have chosen this life for themselves, throwing their hats in the ring, election after election, assembling coalitions for their causes, taking the hits lobbed at one from the other. Plenty of residents get in on the action too.

And so it goes. That's local politics. It's unfortunate, admittedly entertaining, frustrating, occasionally mortifying, and never boring. All of those things.

Here's the problem, though. It is getting out of hand.

Good people are getting caught in the crossfire.

Twelve candidates get snubbed because selectmen cannot find a single one whom they agree will serve the town as well as they believe that they do.

A library director, who usually enjoys a warm reception as the keeper of a beloved institution, finds herself on the front line of a bitter battle in which each side tries forcefully to defeat the other.

A police chief, utterly convincing in his desire to stay out of politics, gets stuck with an noncriminal investigation of a three-year-old matter that could have merit but smacked of suspicious timing when it was handed to him weeks before an election.

And the residents, of course, have to flip the bill for such an investigation.

To whom can the people in Wilmington turn to change the tone of local politics? If the current crop of leaders do not rise up to the task, they may find that there is one place to which the smear of negative politics and petty personal agendas cannot reach.

The ballot booth.

Poem

Metamorphus

November - Metamorphus
Lying dormant.
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Indian Summer
Has past its peak.
Trees stand naked.
Their gowns of color
Faded at their feet.
Morning frost
On window panes
Cold winds chill the air.
Soon nature will be sleeping
Under her blanket of snow.
November sings a lullaby
Of quietness and peace.
Sweet dreams to the Marigolds!
November.
A time to rest.

Pauline N. Lane
Wilmington

For local service men & women

A card or a letter from home

Is your family member serving with the armed forces overseas or away from home?

We all enjoy getting cards and letters from friends and family. This is especially true for men and women in the service.

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Betsy's Best Bets *with Betsy Woods McGuire*

The Pages of Your Mind

Books are the treasured wealth of the world; the fit inheritance of generations and nation. (Thoreau)

The floor-to-ceiling, built-in bookcase in my living room is full. Both bookcases in the reading room are crammed as well. And there are those neat little piles behind the chairs, and on the window seat and behind the front door, and in the back seat of my car. Sure, I borrow from the library, but I want to own the books I love. There is a certain kind of comfort in standing in front of my lifetime collection, as I often do, and methodically studying each shelf. To relive, for just a moment, the adventure, or the lesson, or the inspiration, safely locked within all of those jam-packed pages, is as reassuring to me as the company of a close friend. I take all of the paper jackets off, so that the texture and color of the cloth covers will show. If there is a really good picture of the author or some information worth saving, I cut it out and tape it somewhere on a blank page inside the book.

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Maybe I should start with a story to give you some insight into the kind of service and knowledge you can expect at the Andover Bookstore. Quite a few years ago, before computers, I wanted to replace a Christmas present that I had somehow misplaced or lost. All I could remember was that this book had a red cover and that it was a collection of short stories about Christmas by famous women writers. It took a few months, but one day I walked through the door and EUREKA, there it was. Another time (still before computers), I had heard part of a talk radio show about a woman who had written a book and had been the Attorney General in Rhode island, and that her first or last name was Violet. One of the women at the desk, who had overheard me inquiring, looked across and said "Oh, that's Arlene Violet, "Convictions." Another time, as I was rooting around the non-fiction section, looking for another Oliver Sacks or Lewis Thomas collection, Amy said to me "Have you read Gretel Ahrlich? The 'Solace of Open Spaces'...I think you'd like her." Although I had never heard of the author, I bought the book and it turned out to be absolutely wonderful. Need I say more?

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Beyond the books, if you can pull yourself away, you'll find calendars, greeting cards, and a few CD's and tapes. But what I like the most are all the really small "book" gifts: unusual bookmarks, book-darts, and bookmark cards and author-bookmark cards, as well as place-card holders (Did you follow that?) Boxed cards, note paper, invitations and the uncommonly beautiful Crane's stationery (Since 1801) are tucked into cabinets and cupboards, and long narrow catches at each crossing.

For me, it doesn't end there. I love the walls beside the stairway that leads up to the balcony. Newspaper articles, pictures, poetry, local ads for art shows, Italian lessons, contests and writers groups can keep you lagging instead of zigzagging out the door.

Now, do you think you should give your brain to a big box chain, to what gain? Be sane, refrain. Support the Independent Booksellers of America and by doing so, we can keep our communities strong and personal while helping to maintain the character of our cherished New England heritage.

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Letters to the Editor

One hundred households will have a happier Thanksgiving

Dear Editor:

One hundred households in Tewksbury will have much to be thankful for when family members sit down to Thanksgiving dinner, thanks to the help of strangers.

This year, the Tewksbury Community Pantry offered Thanksgiving food boxes to all of our friends and families who come to us for assistance.

When the project began there were two unknown factors. One was how many baskets would be needed. The other unknown element was how much food would be donated for the baskets.

When we realized that 100 boxes would need to be filled we began to look for sources of food. Since the community has always been generous to the pantry in the past we turned to them once again for help. Hundreds of flyers with a holiday dinner wish list were circulated, and the community provided the food we needed to fill the boxes.

For two mornings this past weekend, residents came to Tewksbury Community Pantry with their donations for a holiday meal.

At the end of the first collection day, it looked doubtful that there would be enough food to fill all the boxes. However, on Saturday, a steady stream of people brought in a bounty of fruit, vegetables, and other foods that make up a traditional Thanksgiving dinner.

Every time the door opened someone came in with a bag, or in many cases multiple bags, of food that they had purchased for their neighbors. Some even called before they went shopping to ask what was needed most.

What an uplifting sight it was to see so many people who wanted to make their neighbor's holiday a little brighter.

We are thankful to everyone who participated in our holiday project. You will be counted in our blessings when we sit down to our Thanksgiving dinner.

On behalf of more than 250 people in Tewksbury who will be enjoying a turkey dinner, thank you and may God bless you.

Sincerely yours,
Sandra A. Geddry
Community Pantry
President
Tewksbury

They helped carry the ball

Dear Editor:

The Touchdown Club of Wilmington would like to thank all those who participated in the Wildcat 125 Raffle. We would also like to extend our appreciation to the following businesses for their help in supporting the Wildcat Football Team:

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Sincerely,
The Touchdown Club
of Wilmington

What is with the "ego politics" and tax hike?

Dear Editor:

It's the Phantom again. I've written before and will hold no punches back here. It seems we have a few angry residents in recent months. I am a bit disgusted myself, but not for the same reasons as most.

First of all, a few months ago we had another elected selectman leave his post. Sound familiar? Which brings me to the question: Why did he run in the first place? He knew right well what the outcome of quitting would be. This left the selectmen to fill the abandoned seat. That's their job, not the residents' job. I say leave the selectman alone! We spoke at the polls, and from the looks of things to come, the next election will be nothing short of an ego battle.

Which brings me to pose a question to future selectman candidates. Will they stay the full term, if elected? If not, I say don't bother running. I've had my fill of "ego politics" and residential "know it alls."

As far as the Ray Lepore story, someone may indeed have twisted his arm for the Forrest vote. This does not make him a bad guy. It makes someone else a bad guy. The residents can make up their own minds as to who that someone else is. Without hard facts on this matter, I will stay silent until they let me move on.

What is with this new tax increase? Didn't taxes just go up two years ago? It might not seem like a lot to some people, but in my house every dollar counts. Higher taxes go hand in hand with wasteful spending. I'll keep it short by saying I have a lot more than just these topics on my mind. A new library? I say no! The 55 housing issue? I say yes. I'll see you at the meetings.

If I seem a bit sarcastic, too bad. Believe me, I'm holding back here. Just another opinion from a Wilmington resident.

Name Withheld Upon Request



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Giving tree set up at senior center

WILMINGTON - For the past five years, the Buzzell Senior Center has been very fortunate to have a "Giving Tree" that benefits elderly residents of Wilmington. The impact on the elderly recipients has been wonderful.

An elder once wrote in a thank you note, "When I came home from the hospital and found a beautiful miniature Christmas Tree and gifts, I was so happy to be remembered during the holidays. It was nice to come home and find."

This year you will have your opportunity to be a part of the "Giving Tree." On the week of November 25, a tree will be set up in the main lobby of the Buzzell Senior Center at 15 School Street with labels of elders in Wilmington who may benefit from holiday cheer. Some of these elders are unaware that they are going to receive gifts because they are apprehensive to let anyone know they are in need of gift certificates to the local grocery store or pharmacy, a new warm sweater, new blanket and/or a food basket. Last year the community overwhelmingly proved their support by donating gifts to 80 elders and made them realize that they are all remembered during the holiday season. Help make this year another success.

The Buzzell Senior Center would also like to take this time to thank the many supporters who came to the Holiday Fair last Saturday. The center would also like to take this time to thank the many volunteers who made the Holiday Fair possible. Happy Thanksgiving to everyone and their families.

Buzzell Senior Center updates:

Wednesday, December 11. Holiday Dinner Dance. The cost of this event is $12 per person.

November 27: 1 p.m. Afternoon tea, fresh pastries and tea before the holiday.

November 28, Happy Thanksgiving to everyone and their families.

December 5: Special Homebound Meals to be delivered - volunteers needed. Please contact the Center if you are interested; 978-657-7595.

Tewksbury Police Log

Monday, November 18

The tires of a vehicle that was parked on Quail Run were reportedly maliciously damaged.

The sliding glass doors of a residence on Decarolis Drive were reportedly maliciously damaged.

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on Andover Street and Shawsheen Street.

Michael Monti, 34, of Somerville, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, leaving the scene of an accident with property damage involving a motor vehicle, and operating a vehicle after the suspension of his driver's license.

Tuesday, November 19

Trash barrels were reportedly stolen from a residence on Trull Road.

The property at a business on Main Street was reportedly maliciously damaged.

Andrew Rodney Johnson, 42, of Tewksbury, was arrested on a warrant charging him as a fugitive from justice.

Wednesday, November 20

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on Andover Street and Main Street.

Robert Bouchard, 40, of Nashua, New Hampshire, was arrested on a warrant charging him with the possession of a Class D substance.

Juan Diaz, Jr, 33, of Lowell, was arrested on a warrant charging him with the unlicensed operation of a vehicle.

Desiree Gordon, 32, of Lowell, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle with a revoked license, operating a vehicle with a suspended registration, and operating an uninsured vehicle.

Thursday, November 21

A mailbox was reportedly maliciously damaged at a residence on Sawyer's Road.

Thomas Doucette, 36, of Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with the possession of a Class D substance.

Friday, November 22

The mailbox and the shed at a residence on Sawyer Road were both reportedly maliciously damaged.

A vehicle was reportedly burglarized on Highwood Drive.

Amy Sullivan, 44, of Amesbury, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle while under the influence of an illegal substance.

Robert Leboeuf, 48, of Amesbury, was arrested and charged with the possession of a Class D substance.

Saturday, November 23

An assault and battery reportedly occurred on Main Street.

A purse was reported as stolen at a business on Main Street.

The windows and tail lights of a vehicle that was parked in the lot of a business on Main Street was reportedly maliciously damaged.

A mailbox at a residence on Kendall Road was reportedly maliciously damaged.

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on Chandler Street and Claddah Place.

David King, 23, of Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Sunday, November 24

The property of a business on Andover Street was reportedly maliciously damaged.

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Main Street.

Mark Lavigne, 19, of Salem, New Hampshire, was arrested and charged with the possession of a Class A substance.

Ralph Kinnear, Jr, 33, of Wilmington, was arrested and charged with the violation of an abuse prevention order.

Wilmington Police Log

Monday, November 18

Materials were reported stolen form a construction site on Research Drive.

Several tires on vehicles that were parked throughout Pouliot Place were reportedly maliciously damaged.

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported at the junction of Routes 93 and 125. Two cars reportedly struck a deer on Andover Street.

Tuesday, November 19

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on Lowell Street and Glen Road.

A vehicle rolled over at the junction of Routes 93 and 125.

A residence on Hamlin Lane was forcefully entered and burglarized.

David Holliday, 35, of Lowell, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle after the suspension of his driver's license.

John Kennedy, 28, of Wilmington, was arrested on a warrant charging him with the possession of a Class B substance.

Wednesday, November 20

A motorist reportedly struck a deer on Main Street.

Thursday, November 21

A vehicle reportedly struck a resident's mailbox on Andover Street.

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Lopez Road.

Elizabeth Hanscom, 37, of Wilmington, was arrested on a warrant.

Friday, November 22

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on Clyde Avenue, Burlington Avenue and Lowell Street.

An assault and battery was reported on Main Street.

Richard Conde, 26, of Arlington, was arrested and charged with the possession of a Class D substance.

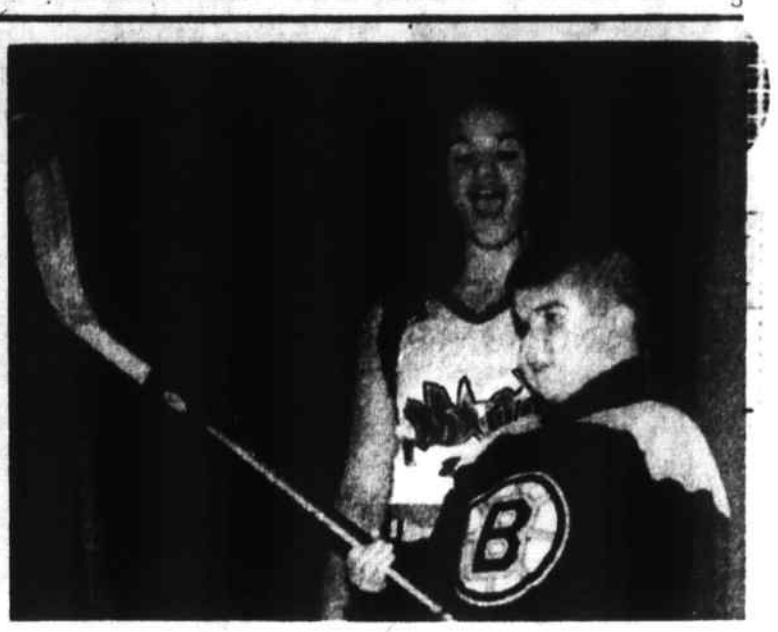
Saturday, November 23

Jared Ferguson, 22, of Wilmington, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Sunday, November 24

Nicanor Bada, 32, of Lowell, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle after the suspension of his driver's license.

John Palazzo, 30, of Manchester, New Hampshire, was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle without a driver's license.



GO, JAKE! Maria Afouxinedes, a senior at Tewksbury Memorial High School, chummed around with ten-year-old Jake Currie during the annual fashion show that was held at the high school last week. Currie, who lives in Saugus, is the Goodwill Ambassador for the Chapter of the Muscular Dystrophy Association of the North Shore. He is also a huge fan of the Boston Bruins, as you may have guessed from the jersey and stick in the photo above. The fashion show helped raise funds to help work towards a cure for muscular dystrophy. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



A lot of guys are telling their wives they have to cut back this year

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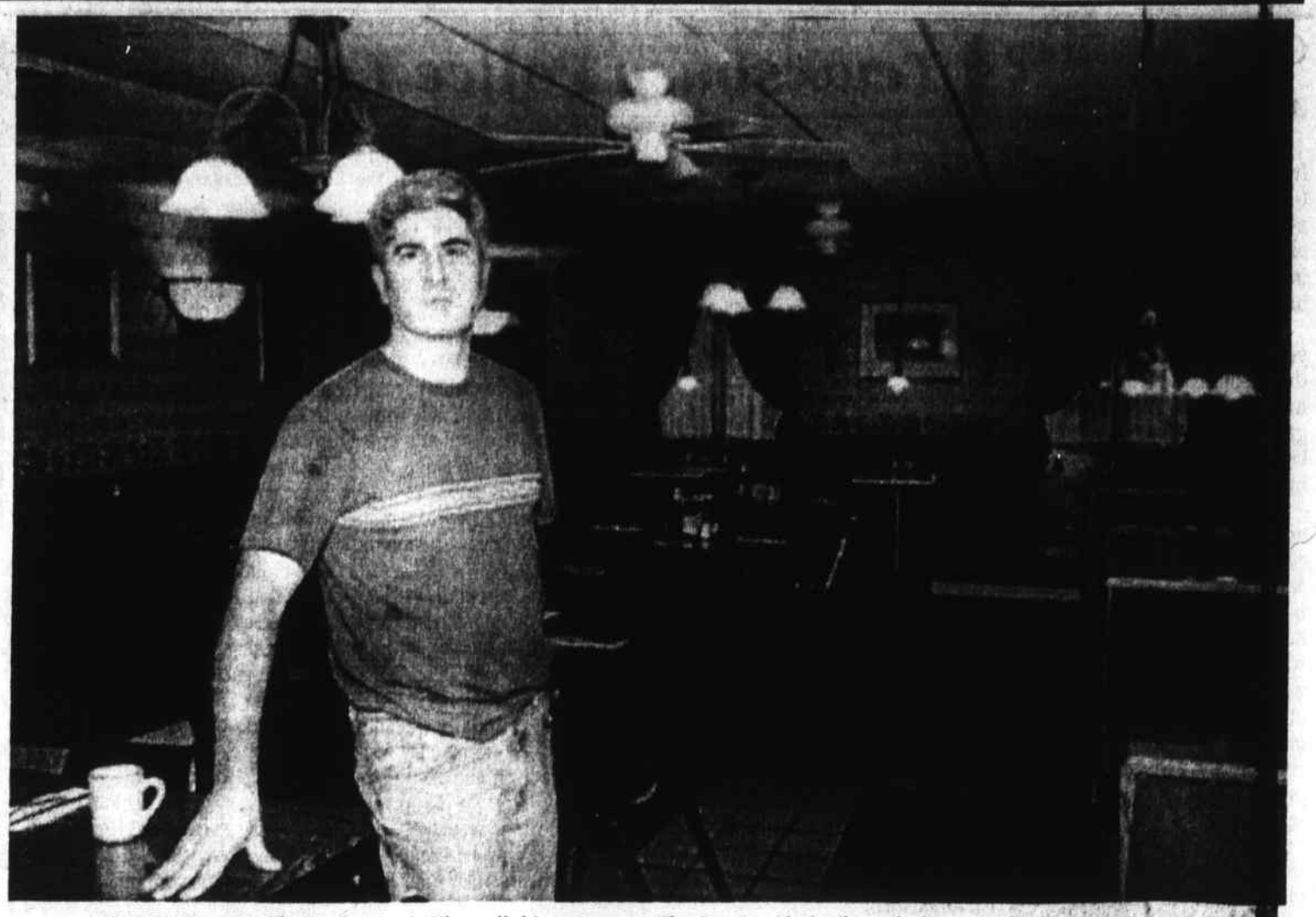
WILMINGTON - The crafters are back in a big way for the Castleberry Faire taking place at the Shriners' Auditorium in Wilmington this Thanksgiving Day weekend, November 29, 30 and December 1.

Over 300 Juried Craftsmen and women from throughout the U.S. and Canada will display and sell their work.

A "food sampling" extravaganza will be presented.

The Castleberry Faire runs Friday, November 29 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, November 30 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, December 1 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Admission $5 adult, under 14 free. Hourly door prizes of fine handcrafts. For more information call 603-755-2166.



A HAPPY PLACE. That's what Arnie Silva calls his restaurant, The Country Chef. Silva, who has owned and operated the eatery for four years now, hopes that the completion of the construction on Main Street in Wilmington will encourage people to stop by his place and try a wide variety of dishes that he offers. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Everyone knows each other at the Country Chef Family Restaurant

By STACEY E. STEVENS

WILMINGTON - Stressed out from the holiday rush or just life in general? Hungry for something different? Tired of fast food, but short on time, money, and gas? Give yourself a much-needed 'time-out' break and head over to The Country Chef Family Restaurant, located at 139 Main Street in Wilmington. According to owner Arnie Silva, you're in for a very pleasant surprise.

For starters, there's the restaurant's newly-renovated exterior and interior. Cozy and charming, it's the perfect setting for a relaxed family dinner. With a seating capacity of eighty, the place may also be reserved for special events, such as showers, holidays, birthdays, or anniversary parties. The staff also provides 'take-out catering' upon request.

Next, there's the friendly staff. Arnie, who runs the restaurant with the help of his wife Carmen and his sister-in-law Elvira, is as appreciative of the rapport that they've built with their patrons as he is proud of their commitment to providing excellent food and service.

"We've got a happy place," he comments. "Everyone knows each other and feels comfortable here. Very seldom does anyone ever complain about the food or service, but when they do, we listen."

Arnie, whose family came to this country from Portugal, grew up in Cambridge as the eldest of nine siblings. He graduated from Cambridge Latin High School in 1976 and took a job as a dishwasher at the Royal Sonesta Hotel in Cambridge. He also worked for the Sheraton and Logan Hilton Hotels. His golden opportunity came one day when the staff was short a cook, and the head chef put him to work. He performed so well that he was kept on as a cook. Appreciative of his talent, the executive chef encouraged him to become a chef in his own right, so he attended New England Culinary School in Boston.

While searching for an opportunity to get into the business, he became aware through his sister-in-law Dianne Medeiros of Tewksbury that the restaurant was for sale. Feeling an immediate liking for the area and the people, he purchased it in May of 1999.

"Our prices have not gone up since we opened," asserts Arnie proudly.

Like other area businesses, The Country Chef was not immune to the affects of the recent construction along Route 38.

"The construction made it inconvenient for my customers to come here, so many of them went elsewhere," he explains. "It'll take time for them to come back, but that's life. You take the bad along with the good."

Both new and returning customers are in for a special treat: The Country Chef is not just for breakfast and lunch anymore. Sometime in the near future, Arnie plans to expand his restaurant's offerings to include an international dinner menu, featuring cuisine that spans continental Europe from Portugal, Spain, and France to Italy and the Mediterranean, all at his customary reasonable prices.

"On behalf of our staff, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our customers for their patronage, and to wish them and their families a happy and healthy holiday season," says Arnie.

The Country Chef Family Restaurant is open daily year-round, except during Thanksgiving, Christmas and the Fourth of July.

It is interesting to note that the original establishment, named 'Wilmington Diner', was built between 1939 and 1940 by Frank Carta, who had been employed as an officers' cook in the military in France during World War I and was also the proprietor of a restaurant in Medford. Mr. Carta purchased the house on the corner of Pine Avenue as well as the land surrounding it and operated the business for fifteen years. Mr. Carta's wife Etta and sons Harold and Frank, Jr. were employed there. For the first seven or eight years the restaurant was open twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. Later on, the hours shifted from 6 a.m. until 2 a.m., a four-hour difference. One of the restaurant's offerings was delicious homemade pastries. Back then, the price of a cup of coffee and a doughnut was a meager fifteen cents (five cents for the coffee and ten cents for the doughnut). There was also an old-fashioned pinball machine. Mr. Carta eventually sold the business to John Parr, who owned it for about five years or so before selling it to Dog Officer John LeBlanc.

After a fire occurred in the building, the structure remained vacant until it was re-opened in the seventies under the name 'Campbell's Country Chef', until it was sold to Arnie Silva in May of 1999.

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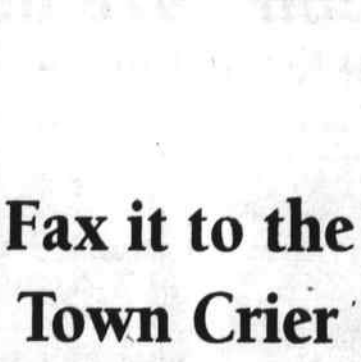
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Wednesday: New York beef strip with gravy, mashed potato, seasoned carrots, pumpernickel bread, chilled peaches, milk, nutty bar.

Thursday: Stuffed pork chop, scalloped potato, seasoned spinach, whole wheat bread/butter, chilled applesauce, milk, dessert.

Friday: Baked fish with broccoli, mashed potato, cole slaw, bread and butter, chilled pears, milk, ice cream.



TWENTY YEARS LATER. The Class of 1982 from Shawsheen Tech held its twentieth reunion at the Tewksbury/Wilmington Lodge of Elks on Saturday, November 23. From left to right, Susan Heider and Mike and Fran Wenetta enjoy the evening. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

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Fri., Nov. 29, 30: Relive Memories of Pleasure Island at a Celebrity Dinner. Call 781-854-2936.

Sun., Dec. 1: 1 to 4 p.m., The Friends of Harnden Tavern present their annual Christmas Social at Harnden Tavern, Rt. 62 at 93, Wil. Donation $3 includes music, refreshments, holiday decorations children's room; crafts and baked goods available.

Wed., Dec. 4: 1 p.m., Public meeting to discuss the Library Feasibility Study to be held at the Buzzell Senior Center.

Wed., Dec. 4: 7 to 9 p.m., Financial Aid Seminar for parents and students regarding college application. Call 617-261-9760.

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Thurs., Fri., Dec. 5, 6: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Holiday Fair at Woodbriar of Wilmington, 90 West Street. Call 978-658-2700 x 124.

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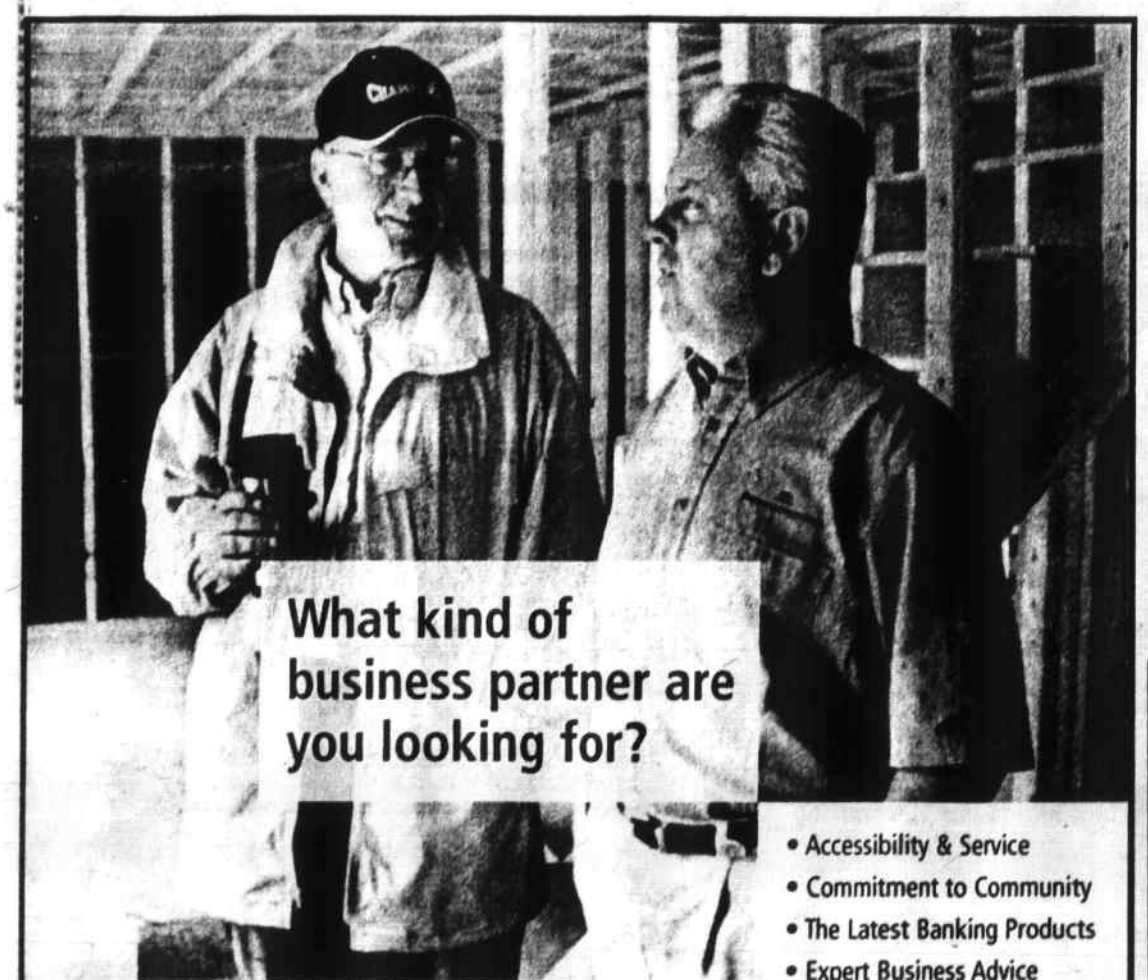
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Ethics Commission to receive chief's report

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fect his campaign for re-election.

"As this request came from a sitting selectman in the midst of a re-election campaign, this privilege would not be available to other citizens that might be the target of an investigation," Nally stated.

Nally stated that he wrote a report of the alleged incident and brought it to the attention of Town Manager Michael Caira, so that it could be on record.

Once Nally finished his presentation, Selectman John Forrest made a motion to send the police department's report to the State Ethics Commission for review. McCoy interjected and requested that Selectman Forrest recuse himself from voting on the matter because the history between the two men has been tense at times. Specifically, McCoy mentioned his recent challenge of Forrest's residency, as it related to his appointment to the board, and his bid in 1988 to rezone one of Forrest's properties.

"I respectfully go on the record that you recuse yourself from any vote on this," McCoy told Forrest. "I believe that you absolutely can show a bias."

Forrest countered that McCoy had lost all challenges against him and that he was going to vote based on what he considered to be the merits of Nally's report.

"I am going on what the Chief of Police is telling us," Forrest said. "From what I hear, you hold the highest elected position anybody can hold in town. If any of this is true, Michael . . . morally, it's criminal to stop a man from opening a business."

Forrest wasn't the only one with an opinion. Selectman Raymond Lepore took a moment to turn the focus from McCoy to Cain.

"I'm going to be truthful with you," Lepore told Cain. "I respect the police department, and I feel sorry for the citizens of this town who had to pay probably a lot of tax money for this investigation. What bothers me the most is that it took three years for you, as an official, a senior official with 23 years of experience, to come forward. That bothers me. If Mr. McCoy is guilty, then you are as guilty as Mr. McCoy, in my book."

Cain mentioned that anybody with complaints against him can articulate them in a letter that can be sent to the State Ethics Commission.

"I'm willing to meet with anybody who wants to interview me in regards to my involvement with this," Cain said. "The police department's report stands on its own merit. If when the report gets to the ethics commission they see that I did anything improper, then I'm sure that I'll be interviewed and addressed to it as well."

The use of polygraph tests during the investigation proved controversial with some who attended the meeting. One resident felt that such a lie detector test would likely be biased because the questions had been structured and controlled by the police department. Nally countered that all polygraph tests that were given during the investigation were done so by a former FBI agent whom Nally only met near the conclusion of the investigation. Furthermore, Nally asserted that such tests are as much a "tool" in an investigation as an interview or a video tape or a piece of physical evidence.

"Nothing is based solely upon a lie detector test," Nally said.

Nally was momentarily joined by Deputy Chief Robert Spencer, who urged residents not to be swayed by what he feels has been innuendo aimed at the police department in terms of the integrity of its investigation.

"If you're going to make conclusive statements that carry weight, make them," Deputy Spencer told the resident who raised objections to the use of the polygraph tests. "Don't throw a blanket on things with comments that have no bearing or meaning whatsoever."

At one point, Nally was questioned by McCoy's attorney, Richard C. Bardi, in regards to his details about April 9, in which he alleged that McCoy tried to obstruct the investigation.

"Why didn't you refer this to the Attorney General's Office, so that there was an independent, third party review to avoid the allegation that you were (part) of a political investigation?" Attorney Bardi asked.

"I felt that, despite that, I was not going to delay it," Nally answered. "I felt that it could be done impartially by my detectives who would do the primary work."

Earlier in the evening, Nally corrected a statement that he made at the last selectmen meeting, in which he suggested that the police department does not usually handle noncriminal investigations, such as the one in regards to McCoy. Nally asserted that his department frequently handles matters of a noncriminal nature, such as those relating to traffic enforcement, disputes between customers and merchants, arguments about property lines and bylaws, missing children, and the needs of those with mental health issues.

"For the record, the police department regularly involves itself, in one form or the other, in what can be termed 'civil issues' and 'noncriminal issues'," Nally stated.

In the end, the Board of Selectmen did not cast a formal vote to send the report to the ethics commission. Instead, board members in favor of the idea were satisfied with Nally's decision to take such action himself.

McCoy was one of those who supported such a move. Since April, he has maintained that the matter would be best addressed by the ethic commission, not the local police department.

"I fully endorse sending the report to the State Ethics Commission," McCoy said. "I did nothing wrong. I want an independent body to review these allegations."

Resident Marilyn Cox agreed with McCoy that the matter should have been in the hands of the ethics commission from the start.

"That's what Mr. McCoy has been asking for since the beginning," Cox told Cain. "He wanted this to go to the ethics commission, and you wouldn't let it happen. It took seven months and all this money."

Looking for blankets for the homeless

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with his troop. "The Mission gives the homeless a place to stay and a blanket."

The Boston Rescue Mission, founded in 1899, is located on 39 Kingston Street in Boston. Every night during the winter, the shelter will invite 75 homeless people in to escape the bitter cold. Everyone is given two blankets, warmth and a pastry for the night, to prepare them for survival outside the following day. It is a rare occurrence when Kingston Street is not lined with people waiting to be among the 75 to spend the night at the shelter.

The flexible rule states that each person is expected to return their blankets when they leave the building, though the hearts of the volunteers give way when they realize that some have little chances of surviving on the streets without the warmth of the blankets. As a result, 120 blankets are consumed each month. Since the Mission is currently operating on one-sixth of their required budget, donations of blankets from outside sources is their only reliance.

As Walsh states on his flier: "Two blankets can make the difference between life and death for many of the less fortunate."

Walsh's objective is to collect 150 blankets by December 20 to replace one month's worth of the Mission's blankets. In order to achieve his goal, he has set up three different collection areas within Wilmington. One place to look for the aspiring Eagle Scout and his peers in the weeks to come will be on your own front stoop as they make their rounds going door-to-door at houses and businesses.

"My troop will be going house to house to ask for blanket donations," says Walsh.

During the weekends, Walsh will set up boxes in a designated area at each church in Wilmington, indicating donations for his blanket drive.

"Scouts in different troops will stand at the exits to tell people where to bring the blankets," says Walsh.

The Christmas tree sale, another collection spot for Walsh's project, will be located in the Market Basket complex and runs from December 7 to December 22. Scouts will be asking for donations and encouraging people to return with blankets.

The blankets will be transported by a donated U-Haul truck to the Boston Rescue Mission, right before Christmas.

In addition to his blanket drive, Walsh will spend the Saturday before Christmas at the Mission, cleaning, moving furniture, preparing meals and completing whatever tasks necessary to prepare the shelter for Christmas.

Keep your eyes open for the devoted scout and his peers going house to house, at church or at the Christmas tree sale. For those of you who may miss Walsh due to a busy holiday schedule, you may reach him at 978-658-1776 to make a donation and set up a time for him to pick it up.

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Choice of Whitefield School explained

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hired to design the proposed library.

The revised feasibility study, a glimpse of which residents were given during a recent selectmen meeting, was on display at the forum. The study cites the Whitefield School as the preferred location to build the new facility.

During a presentation that preceded a question-and-answer session, Stewart stated that there has not been any new development of the current library since it was built in 1969. At the same time, maintained Stewart, the use of the library has increased drastically during the past three decades. In 1970, 67 children were a part of the library summer reading program. During this past summer, 732 children took part in the program.

Stewart told those in the audience that the library averages 400 visits a day. Advances in technology, such as though relating to audio, video, movies and computers, have revolutionized the use of media at the library. She stated that the current library does not have enough space to accommodate new books, meetings, display cases, handicapped patrons, parking and more. Stewart also noted that the heating and air conditioning system at the current facility is antiquated, and the lighting is poor.

Fair took the audience through each of the four sites, including the Whitefield School, that had been considered for a new library. The other three sites consisted of the Swain School, available property on Wildwood Street, and the land on which the current facility exists.

According to Fair, all four sites had the advantage of being town-owned land. Fair stated that, in his opinion, the site on Wildwood Street had poor visibility for a library and may be needed some day for the expansions of either the cemetery or the high school.

Fair noted that the locating the library at the Swain School would have its advantages, for it enjoys easy access and a position near the Town Common, but he also stated that annual flooding was a considerable drawback.

Finally, Fair rejected the idea of expanding the current library because of a lack of available space. Due to wetland issues and the size of the lot, there would not be any room for future expansion.

In his assertion that the Whitefield School would be most appropriate for a new library, Fair listed high visibility, open space, a flat lot and existing utilities as reasons for his choice.

After Fair's presentation, Town Manager Caira detailed the town's plan for financing the construction of a new library. Caira stated that a 10-year bond issue would cover the expenses, and that the total debt of the project, including interest, would be $9.98 million. According to Caira, the average tax payer in Wilmington would be responsible for approximately $77.49 per year for the construction of the facility. The payment schedule for the construction would begin in 2006 and would conclude in 2015.

When the presentation was over, residents were ready with questions. Sullivan was one of the first in line.

"All of these sites are feasible," Sullivan said. "Right now, it is what is the preferred location. I was hoping we would be looking at other sites."

"You are right," Fair responded. "All of the sites are feasible, but we were looking in our professional judgment for the best site."

Planning and Conservation Director Lynn Duncan spoke on three occasions, in order to answer questions in regards to the position of the Master Plan Committee when it comes to the site of a new library.

"The (Master Plan) did recommend that the library stay at the town common," Duncan began. "But we did refer to the feasibility study, which would determine the best options for expansion. The Master Plan committee endorses the Whitefield site as the site for the new library."

Resident Karl Sagal noted that the Master Plan, which was passed at the town meeting last April, strongly supported the construction of the library near the Town Common. In fact, Sagal asserted, the idea of a new library at the common was given a "higher priority" than the concept of constructing a new town hall there instead.

"How is it that now it seems reversed?" Sagal asked.

"The Master Plan does not give high priority to the library," Duncan answered. "We never determined either being more important. The Master Plan Committee did vote to support the library at the Whitefield site."

Resident Edward Loud wanted to know why a new library needs to be as large as has been proposed.

"How much more are we going to need in 20 years?" Loud asked.

"It is hard to predict," Fair answered. "The state doesn't want to support a library that will be bursting at the seams in five years."

Several residents asked about the possibility of adding a new, three-level wing to the current library.

"An ideal library has one level," Fair replied. "The more levels in a library, the more control needs to be added to the library program. You want to have maximum space with minimum staff."

Stewart agreed with Fair's assessment.

"Two floors are much more effective than three floors," she said.

Some residents in the community, including at least two members of the Board of Selectmen, feel that the Whitefield School could better be used as affordable housing for senior citizens. At the forum last Thursday, such an idea was touted by residents Frank West and Marilyn Cox.

"The Whitefield site is off the beaten path," Cox said. "What you did by showing me the locations of the four sites on a map was convince me that is where senior housing should be."

Caira stated that he was not aware of any unity behind [illegible] proposal to instead use [illegible] Whitefield School for such a purpose.

"I am not aware of any community entity that is interested [illegible] that right now," Caira said. "It [illegible] a very valuable piece of property. Currently, we have been helping [illegible] senior citizens stay in their own homes."

Resident Debra Russo touched upon a direction that Caira has recently been given by the Board of Selectmen, in which he was instructed to ask abutters to the current library if they would be open to selling their property to the town for the expansion of the current facility.

"I understand you were directed by the Board of Selectman to go to the property owners located next to the current library," Russo said. "Did you?"

"I did write three property owners," Caira answered. "Two did not respond. One wrote that they would not be able to respond until the future use of the land was defined."

Thursday marks 60th anniversary of historic fire

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place to be in Boston in 1942. The country was barely one year into World War II. And despite the BC Eagles losing to Holy Cross that Saturday afternoon on Thanksgiving weekend, scores of fans from that game went to the Coconut Grove that night.

The Coconut Grove was located in the theater district, just out of Park Square, at the corner of Stuart and Warrenton streets. The site is hard to recognize now, for it has been built over. But for decades after the fire, it was a vacant lot, a parking lot. The night club was a one-and-a-half story building with a stage and a dance floor on the first floor and a lounge in the basement. It was a block long and a half-block wide. At the time of the fire, it is estimated there were 800 to 1,000 people in the club, far in excess of safety codes.

Shortly after 10 p.m., as the showgirls were just starting down the stairs from their dressing room for the second show, a busboy went to replace a light bulb in the basement lounge. Unable to see the socket, he lit a match. The flames quickly ignited the fake palm tree decor. Some patrons observed the fire and took it lightly, but the fire spread rapidly. In minutes, the nightclub became a smokey inferno, and when the lights went out, it became a screaming madhouse. And there was no way out.

The horrible loss of life that night was due to the lack of exits. There were two revolving doors at the front of the club. There were other doors, but they were all locked. And with hundreds of people thrashing to get out, the revolving doors were quickly clogged. The result was that almost nobody got out.

Some of the few who managed to escape were chorus girls, who were led to safety by a 19-year-old chorus boy, Marshall Cook. He broke out a window in a second-floor dressing room and led the way to an adjoining roof. Scores of ambulances rushed to the scene, but with the horrific toll, they were not enough. Railway Express trucks were pressed into service to carry the dead. A makeshift morgue was set up in a nearby garage. Rescue workers forced their way into the nightclub to find corpses piled six or seven deep in a tangled mass at the revolving doors.

Martial law was declared in the immediate vicinity of the fire.

Scores of victims were taken to Boston hospitals, where they were lined up in corridors, many beyond help. There was a shortage of medical help, since many Boston doctors had volunteered for military service. The telephone rang at 2 a.m. in the home of 71-year-old Mary Fitzgerald on Fitz Terrace, near Silver Lake in Wilmington. The caller told her that her oldest son, James, was dead.

It was the beginning of a nightmare for Mary Fitzgerald, one from which she would never recover.

Soon after the 2 a.m. call, her two sons-in-law, Michael Barry, a deputy U.S. Marshall, and William Leahy, went to Boston to assist in the search. It was a mission of futility.

At 7 a.m., Mrs. Fitzgerald received word that Wilfred, too, was dead. Soon thereafter, she learned of the death of Henry. Sometime later, she learned that John, too, had succumbed.

Of the 13 people in the Fitzgerald party, there was but one survivor, Henry's Army friend, whose name is not known.

The body of James, the first to be named, was identified by James Gilligan, a teacher at Dorchester High School, who lived on Burnap Street in Wilmington. He was an air raid worker in Boston and answered a call for help that night.

Another man who answered the call was Father Albert J. Shea, a priest at St. James Church in Boston. He earned accolades for his work that night for his work among the dead and dying. Father Shea later became pastor of St. Thomas Church in Wilmington, where he served for many years before returning to St. James, where he later became a monsignor.

The funeral for the Fitzgerald brothers was held from the family home on Fitz Terrace on December 1. There was a procession to St. Thomas Church, which was where the Wilmington Memorial Library now stands. A solemn High Mass was celebrated by their cousin, Father William Walsh of St. John the Evangelist Church in Swampscott. Father John Daley, pastor of St. Thomas Church, was the deacon and Father John Saunders, the assistant pastor, was sub-deacon. Among the clergy present were Father John McGoohan, former curate of St. Thomas and Reverend Clyde Martin, pastor of the Wilmington Congregational Church, both of whom were chaplains in the U.S. Army.

Mildred Rogers was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rogers of Varnum Street, Lowell. She served both as teacher and principal of what was then known as the Silver Lake School, along with a portable school building which was nearby.

One year later, the school was dedicated in her name in a ceremony attended by a large number of persons. Her picture hung over the doorway of that school until it closed in the late 1970s. It was used as meeting rooms and as rehearsal space for a theater group for a few years, but was torn down after a fire in the early 1980s.

Her father presented a large check to the school nurse, Mrs. Esther Nichols, to start a fund called the Mildred Rogers Fund, to assist in the health and welfare of Wilmington schoolchildren.

As a result of the Cocoanut Grove tragedy, intense scrutiny was given to fire safety codes. Among the improvements were regulations that there be sufficient exits opening outward to evacuate the building, and that no flammable materials be used in decorations.

Stolen weapons cache recovered

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department that their primary suspect was at a residence at 2 Truman Avenue in Billerica. Billerica Police converged on the scene and apprehended Forster, who had a significant amount of the stolen jewelry in his possession at the time of his arrest.

"He was partying there, but the house owner claimed that she didn't want him there when the Billerica Police arrived," Miller says in regards to Forster's whereabouts at the time of his arrest.

Forster has been arraigned at the Lowell District Court on two counts of receiving stolen property that is worth more than $250, one count of possessing a firearm without a license, and one count of a firearms violation with at least one prior violence/drug offense.

"We got great assistance from Detective Sergeant Frank MacKenzie of the Billerica Police Department," Miller attested.

Miller stated that all of the missing guns have been recovered, but there is still several thousand dollars worth of jewelry and other items that are missing.

At press time, Miller was working on charges to file against Forster. A charge of breaking and entering was among them.

Ice sculptor returns for annual tree lighting

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last few year. One year, he sculpted a swan. Another year, he made a Nutcracker. In other ones, he turned out a sleigh, an angel and others.

What will become of this year's block of ice once Fontecchio completes his presto-change-o? Ah, now that's a secret.

"The annual ice sculpture has become an integral part of the town's celebration and is one of the main attractions on the common," says Ray Forest, the President of the Chamber of Commerce. "Come watch him carve."

And, of course, between three and six and afterwards, there will be plenty more, including free hayrides that begin at five. the Festival of Trees at the Art Center across the street, and a certain round, jolly old elf who will be keeping tabs of who is naughty and who is nice.

This is the tenth year that the annual tree lighting has been held, so those who attend can also bank on the usual staples that make the holiday romp memorable. We're talking about cookies and hot chocolate, the Wilmington High School Band, the United Methodist Choir, and the Minutemen, who will, rest assured, have those trusty lanterns with them.

There will even be opportunities to spread some holiday cheer by donating toys for boys and girls to the Marine Corps' Toys for Wilmington Tots program, which will be represented at the common. Furthermore, residents can purchase ornaments that will benefit the Wilmington Community Fund. And, last but not least, Wilmington sweatshirts and glasses will be sold at the 4th of July building between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. on Saturday December 7, and between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Sunday the 8th.

And if it rains on the night of the seventh? Or perhaps snows too heavily? Residents need not take such a development as though it were a lump of coal in their stocking, for the tree lighting will simply be bumped back one day to the eighth.

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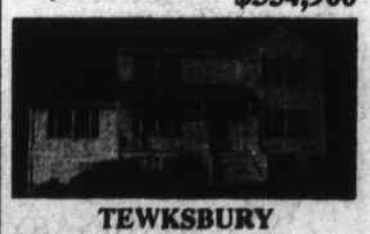
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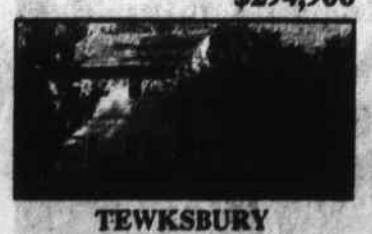
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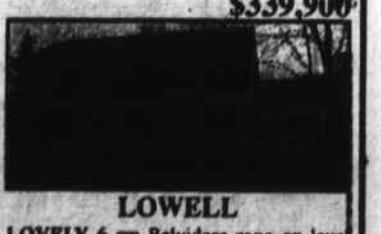
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IN STEP. Students from Dance Expressions in Tewksbury recently joined with other dance companies in the Greater Lowell Area, such as the Donna Miceli Dance Center, to perform a benefit recital at Dracut High School. Proceeds from the dance, which was organized by Tewksbury native Lisa Pilato, who owns a studio in Dracut, will go to families in need during the holiday season. From left to right are Dance Expression dancers Kellsie Stevenson; Krysta Maglio; Jessica Miller; Justin Messina; Katelyn Soni; and Kayla Benvenuto. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Santa's Workshop

WILMINGTON - Santa and his busy elves are coming to Town for the 30th year in succession.

Wilmington Recreation Department's annual Santa's Workshop program will be open at the Town Hall, Sunday, December 8 from 1 to 3 p.m.; Monday, December 9 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. and Tuesday, December 10, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Free Christmas balloons, candy canes and pictures with Santa will be offered to Wilmington boys and girls.

Students in grade six or above who wish to volunteer as elves and adults who wish to assist should call Ron or Debbie at 658-4270.

Water meter replacement

WILMINGTON - The Town's new remote water meter service is ready to be installed. Once the system is in place, you will not have to worry about recording and submitting your meter readings. The Town has awarded the meter installation project to USIEnergy.

USIEnergy will be contacting residents and businesses by mail on behalf of the Town, asking that you call a toll free number to schedule a time to install your new meter. The typical meter installation should take approximately 45 minutes of your time. The letter you will receive will give all the details you will need to set up your appointment. The meter replacement program is mandatory for every water customer. The first property owners in Town to receive a letter will be from the Silver Lake area and that will be at the beginning of December.

Please be aware that all USIEnergy personnel will have an identification badge and will arrive in a vehicle clearly marked with the USIEnergy name. Please do not hesitate to contact the Water Department at 978-658-4711 if you have questions or comments.

Mail holiday cards early

Fifteen Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) train stations in the Middlesex-Central Postal District have been targeted by postal officials for special collections of stamped holiday cards this December.

This innovative approach is being taken to make it easier for persons to mail their holiday greetings to friends, relatives and business associates, as well as to encourage the general public to mail early to prevent a backup of mail during Christmas week.

Flyers will be distributed December 6 at the designated train station depots, advising commuters that holiday cards and letter mail will be collected from 7 to 9 a.m. on December 9, 13, 16 and 20.

Train stations targeted for the "Mail Early" campaign include: Anderson (Woburn), Andover, Beverly Depot, Framingham, Lowell, Natick, Newburyport, North Billerica, Reading, Salem, South Acton, Swampscott, Wakefield, West Natick and Worcester.

"The objective of this program is to encourage commuters to deposit their holiday mail earlier in the day to expedite the processing and delivery of their mail," said Greg R. French and Joseph Fanciullo, managers of post office operations for the Middlesex-Central District.

The domestic Christmas holiday mailing season begins after Thanksgiving and ends on Dec. 31.

In comparing an average day from October through December, the Postal Service receives about 100 million letters and cards nationwide. This swells to 150 million a day from Nov. 29 to Dec. 31, they noted.

The busiest mail day this year will be Monday, Dec. 16.

The postal officials also reminded customers to write, type or print the complete address neatly and always use a complete return address.

Psychologist offers stress-reduction tips for the holidays

If the approaching holidays make you feel more tense than jolly, you re not alone, says May Counseling Center psychologist Lauren Solotar, Ph.D. "Sometimes the additional "busyness' of the holidays puts already stressed out individuals into 'stress overload.'"

According to Solotar, women are especially vulnerable to stress overload during the holiday season. "A single mother who must work full time to support her child/ren and also try to support their school and extracurricular activities may find the extra requirements of the holidays - baking, parties, gift buying, family dinners, are more than she can handle."

It's best to plan ahead to avoid stress and enjoy a happier holiday season. Solotar recommends that women see what they can subtract from their daily activities rather than what they can add. She also offers the following tips:

1) It's OK to say "no" to some requests - especially at this time of year.

2) Eliminate at least one holiday "to do" item from your list. Do you really have to bake four kinds of Christmas cookies?

3) Become a good time manager. Allow extra time for all activities.

4) Make a budget and stick to it.

5) Shop early at off peak times; consider doing more shopping by mail and Internet.

6) Wrap gifts as soon as possible after purchasing them.

7) Take a personal day in mid-December to pamper yourself, sleep in, organize, shop, wrap, get a massage, or watch your favorite holiday video.

8) Practice moderation in eating and drinking. Try having a little something to eat before going out to holiday parties. It will help you eat and drink less.

9) Get enough sleep. Now is not the time to burn your candle at both ends!

10) Make having fun more important than being perfect.

11) If you become seriously depressed during the holiday season, seek professional help.

The May Institute's counseling Centers in Walpole and W. Roxbury offer caring, effective state-of-the-art emotional and psychological services to children, adolescents, and adults. Highly trained professionals provide specialized clinical care for key emotional and behavioral concerns including: anxiety disorders, depression, eating disorders, women's issues, and school and learning difficulties, For more information call 1-800-778-7601.

WPD urges safe driving over Thanksgiving Holiday

WILMINGTON - Motor vehicle crashes claimed 10 lives during the Thanksgiving Holiday in Massachusetts in 2001. In response, Chief Nally announced the Wilmington Police Department would increase its enforcement of traffic laws, with an emphasis on the safety belt law, as part of the Thanksgiving Holiday "mobilization" of the Massachusetts' Click It or Ticket Campaign. There are more than 260 Massachusetts local police departments and the State Police taking part in the campaign.

"We want everyone to get to their holiday destinations safely," said Chief Nally. "Our extra traffic enforcement efforts aim to stop aggressive and impaired driving as well as speeding. We will also require strict compliance with the Massachusetts safety belt and child passenger safety laws, because we are serious about saving lives and preventing injuries."

The Governor's Highway Safety Bureau's Click It or Ticket Campaign, made possible by a federal highway safety grant, combines traffic enforcement, TV and radio advertising, as well as community education to increase safety belt and child safety seat use. Massachusetts' 56 percent safety belt use rate lags well behind the national average of 75 percent. For more information, go to www.mass.gov/ghsb.

"During the Thanksgiving Holiday mobilization of our Click It or Ticket Campaign, we ask everyone to drive sober and well rested, to obey posted speed limits, to allow extra travel time for emergencies, and to make sure everyone is properly buckled up," said Nancy J. Luther, Executive Director of the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau.

There were 433 fatalities, 91,000 injuries, and $6.3 billion in economic loss from motor vehicle crashes in Massachusetts in 2000. More than 55 percent of the occupants killed in Massachusetts motor vehicle crashes in 2000 were unbelted. Given that safety belts reduce the risk of death or serious injury in a crash by up to 50 percent, increasing safety belt use offers a proven way to improve highway safety in Massachusetts.

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Winchester Hospital celebrates 90 years of health care service

WINCHESTER - Amidst a backdrop of colorful balloons, banners and party hats, Winchester Hospital in recent days celebrated its 90th year.

The event not only recognized the hospital's 90-year tradition of providing high quality care to the community, said spokesperson Mark Whitney, it also honored the physicians, employees, volunteers and ancillary organizations that have supported the hospital over the years.

Speakers at the event also provided participants a glimpse of the hospital's exciting future.

The day's events kicked off with the unveiling of a banner on the roof of the hospital proclaiming Winchester Hospital as "90 and in the best of health."

The unveiling was followed by the presentation of special citations from representatives of local and state government, including Senator Charles Shannon, Representative Paul Case and Winchester Selectman James Johnson. Other local officials in attendance included Representative Paul Donato of Medford and Winchester Selectmen Charles Nurnberger.

"The hospital would not be what it is today without the involvement of many amazing people," said Woburn resident Paul Andrews, chairman of Win chester Hospital's Board of Directors, as he welcomed the crowd. "Whether they are doctors, nurses, administration, staff or volunteers, their contribution is critical and our appreciation is immense."

Andrews also recognized several important hospital supporters including Director of Volunteer Services Marie Johnson, President of the Friends of Winchester Hospital Janice Bubbers, and Winton Club President Sue Powers.

Hospital President and CEO Dale Lodge thanked the many staff members and supporters in attendance for their dedication to making Winchester Hospital one of the most successful community hospitals in the state.

Before unveiling a timeline display commemorating the hospital's 90 years, Lodge again commended the hospital's dedicated staff for their ability to put patients first each and every day.

According to the next speaker, Medical Staff President Dr. Robert Fortunato, patients and hospital staff have seen amazing improvements in the world of medicine in the years since 1912.

Dr. Fortunato discussed the hospital's long history of investing in advanced technology including the recent addition of state-of-the-art MRI and CAT Scan units at one of the hospital's major outpatient facilities in Woburn.

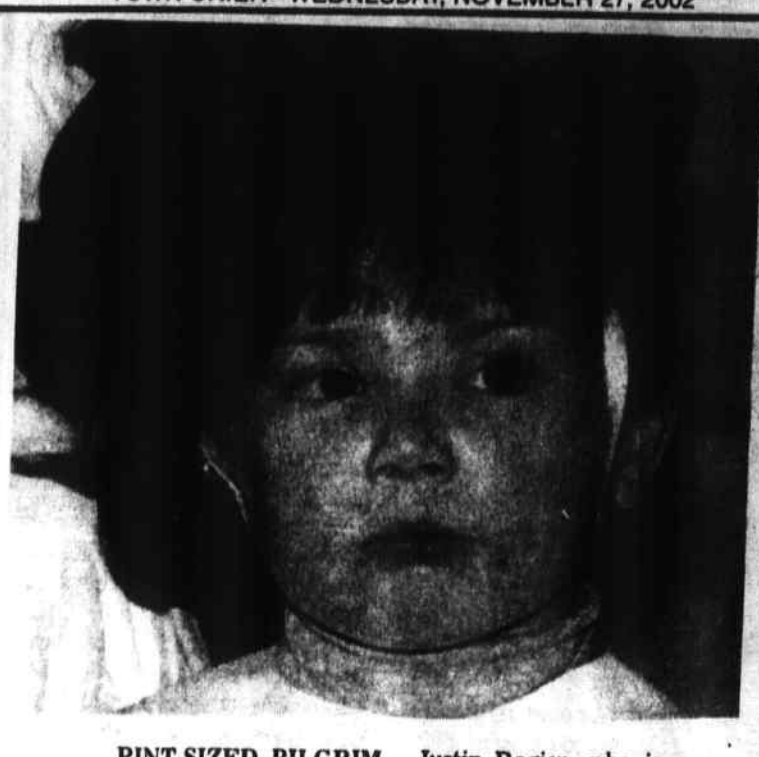
The hospital's history dates back to 1912, when the Winchester Visiting Nurse Association opened the Cottage Hospital in the three-story Todd House on Washington Street in Winchester. With 12 beds, the new hospital flourished immediately, making it quickly apparent that a larger hospital was necessary.

In the early fall of 1913, a canvass of the town produced $22,000, and the next spring, a group of businessmen succeeded in raising an additional $25,000. With these funds, the Winchester Visiting Nurses purchased a 5.5 acre tract of land bordered by Highland Avenue, Valley Road, Maple Street and Fairmount Street. The new 44-bed Winchester Hospital admitted its first patient on its current site on May 28, 1917.

"We're looking forward to an exciting future," said Lodge. "We will continue to invest in people, programs and services that are vital to the health of our communities."

Today, the Winchester Hospital has 200 beds and bassinets and provides the largest share of health care in its service area, caring for patients from Winchester, Woburn, Wilmington, Reading, Stoneham, North Reading, Tewksbury, Billerica, Burlington, Medford and Malden.

The hospital cared for more than 11,000 inpatients and 45,000 emergency room patients last year.



PINT-SIZED PILGRIM. Justin Rogier, who is a student in Mrs. McSheehy's Kindergarten class at the Dewing School in Tewksbury, sports a lopsided pilgrim's hat during a presentation of "Thanksgiving Friends" that was held for parents and peers on Monday, November 25. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Area Datebook

Essex River Cruises and Charters are offered from the Essex marina at 10:30 a.m., 1:30, 3:30 , 5:30 and 7 p.m. May through October. Call 978-786-6981 for info and reservations.

Grandparents as Parents: Healthsouth St., Joseph Healthcare Center, 220 Pawtucket St., Lowell, 7 to 8:30 p.m. second Tues., of the month. Call 978-459-3242.

Fourth Mon. of the month 10-11:30 a.m. at St. John the Evangelist Parish Center, No. Chelmsford; Grandparents as parents. Call 978-459-3242.

Congregation Shalom, a Reform Congregation located in Chelmsford is offering open registration for their pre-school for three and four-year-olds. The classes meet once a month for an hour on Sundays. A parent or guardian is required to accompany their child. The cost is $100 for non-members. Call Stacy Garnick at 978-251-8091 for further information.

Greater Lowell Family YMCA has openings in their Preschool Program. Call 978-454-7825 ext. 23

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Massachusetts are expanding their car campaign to include boats. The car campaign throughout Massachusetts has proven to be a great success. Those who have unwanted boats to donate may receive a valuable tax deduction on their income tax. All boats are subject to the approval of a broker and must be fiberglass, seaworthy, and in marketable condition. Proceeds will benefit the Boys & Girls Clubs.

If future plans include a new boat, a bigger boat, or no boat at all. The Boys & Girls Clubs would like to hear from you. Please call 1-800-246-0493.

LaLeche League of Billerica offers monthly support meetings for pregnant and nursing mothers. Call 978-670-1309.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving in Mass. is conducting a car campaign to support their program. Call 1-800-720-6233 for information.

Lowell Y Preschool; Is now accepting registration for their fall programs. Children must be at least two years and nine months old to attend. Call 978-454-7825.

Skin Screenings; Skin cancer is the most common cancer, but most forms are easily treated if detected early. Lahey's Dept. of Dermatology offers free skin screenings for the public, by appointment only. Call 781-744-8979.

Adoption Support: Group Fourth Sunday of each month from 7 to 9 p.m. at 19 Campbell Road, Billerica. Call 978-667-3282.

Fall swim Classes: Boys and Girls Club of Greater Billerica is accepting registration for fall swim classes. Call 978-667-2193 or stop by the club at 19 Campbell Road.

Each Wednesday: The Northshoremen A Cappella chorus needs men who like to sing. The chorus meets each Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. at the Italian Community Center, 307 Rantoul St., Beverly. Call 978-927-7894.

Mother to Mother: is accepting dues for the 2002-02 year. This is a non-profit support group for parents and their children from Burlington and surrounding towns. Call Mary at 781-238-8267.

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Fourth Mon. of each month, Adoptive support group for pre and post adoptive families at Billerica Boys & Girls Club, 19 Campbell Rd., Billerica. Call 978-667-3282.

Tuesdays: 5:30 to 6:45 p.m., seniors 55 and older full course meals and periodic health awareness programs at Lahey Clinic Medical Center's cafeteria. Call 781-744-3414.

Every Sunday: Brunch, all you can eat buffet at No. Reading Moose Lodge, 140 North Street. Call 978-664-8561.

Mon-Fri: Lowell Association for the Blind needs volunteers who can join the LAB Talking Information Center Radio Reading Service to read and record news. Call 978-454-5704 Mon-Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Mon & Wed., 9 to 10 a.m., Lowell Boys Club offers water aerobics. Call 458-4526.

Sun., Mon., Wed., Thurs: 7 to 9 p.m., Childbirth classes at Winchester Hospital. Call 781-756-4700.

Thursday evenings: Merrimack Valley Chorus open rehearsals/ auditions, 7:30 p.m., Wil. Arts Council, Rte. 62. Call 978-851-7764; www.merrimacvalleychorus.com

For information: regarding Winchester Hospital's Senior Health Partnership's Walking Program for seniors, call 781-756-4774.

Big Brother/Big Sister is running a car campaign to support their mentoring programs. Prospective donors need to know that only those who itemize their taxes may take the fair market value as a contribution. Determining the value of the car is completely up to the donor, therefore, Big Brother/ Big Sisters will not give a value. Call 1-800-859-6526.

Grandparents as parents: Second Tuesday; fourth Monday of each month. Tues., 7-8:30 p.m. at St.s Mem. Hosp., Lowell cafe; Mon., 10 to 11:30 a.m. at St. John the Evangelist Parish Center, Chelmsford. Call 978-459-3242 for details.

Adoption Center: Information and support each fourth Monday from 7 to 9 p.m. at Billerica Boys and Girls Club, 19 Campbell Rd., Billerica. Call 978-667-3282.

Swim Lessons: At the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Billerica. Register now. Class size is limited. Call 978-667-2193 or stop by the club at 19 Campbell Road.

Obituaries

Timothy J. Carroll

plant supervisor for Atlee Corp., of Delaware; enjoyed sports; collected baseball cards; at 59

WILMINGTON - Timothy J. Carroll, Jr., a native of Woburn who had lived in Wilmington for the past 20 years, died at his home Tuesday afternoon, November 19, 2002 following an illness of several months. The widower of Constance A. (Miller) Carroll, who died four years ago, he was 59 years of age.

Tim was born in Woburn, the son of the late Timothy J. and Catherine A. (Gaffney) Carroll. He attended Woburn schools and was active in sports, particularly baseball. He graduated from Woburn High School with the Class of 1960 and attended Bentley College. He began working for Atlee Corporation of Delaware in 1966, and rose to the position of Plant Supervisor. At the time of his death he had been affiliated with the company for 37 years.

He enjoyed all types of sports and was a collector of baseball cards. He as a very kind, caring and gentle man who thoroughly enjoyed being with his family, especially his grandchildren in recent years.

Surviving are a son, Robert M. Carroll and his wife Susan of Wilmington, a daughter, Catherine E. Oliver and her husband Harold of Laconia, NH, two sisters, Maryellen J. Maher and her husband Denis and Ellen Mary Szetela and her husband Michael, all of Woburn, and a brother, Francis Carroll and his wife Irene of Billerica.

He also leaves six grandchildren; Jackie and Krissy Oliver, Patrick, Brian and Christian Carroll and Timmy Miller and many nieces and nephews.

The funeral was held from the Lynch-Cantillon Funeral Home, 263 Main Street, Woburn, Friday, November 22, followed by a funeral mass in St. Charles Church. Interment followed in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

Donations made in Tim's memory to Hospice Care, Inc., 41 Montvale Ave., Stoneham, MA 02180 will be appreciated.

Mildred D. Watson

retired from F.I. Carter & Sons; 82

TEWKSBURY - Mildred D. (West) Watson, 82, a Tewksbury resident for over 50 years, died Monday evening, Nov. 18, 2002 at Saints Memorial Medical Center in Lowell. She was the wife of the late George H. Watson, who died in 1985.

She was born in Stoneham, Aug. 7, 1920, the daughter of the late Ernest and Mary (Lorrey) West, and was raised in Stoneham. She graduated Stoneham High School in 1938, and was a former member of St. James Methodist Church in Stoneham. She had lived in Tewksbury since 1951, where she had been a member of the Tewksbury United Methodist Church.

She was retired from the sales department of F. I. Carter and Sons, well known carnation and plant producers in Tewksbury.

She is survived by two daughters and a son-in-law, Jean E. Watson of Tewksbury, and Susan and her husband Roy Patterson of Tewksbury, one grandson, Stephen Patterson of Tewksbury and one great grandson, Timothy Patterson of Tewksbury, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Her funeral service will be held Tuesday, Nov. 26, at 11:00 a.m. in the Tewksbury Funeral Home, cor. of Dewey and Main Sts. (Rte 38) Tewksbury Center, phone (800 or 978) 851 2950. Visiting hours Monday evening 4 to 7 p.m. Interment in Lindenwood cemetery, Stoneham. Memorials to the American

Heart Assn., 20 Speen St. Framingham, MA 01701 will be appreciated.

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WPD announces D.E.C.I.D.E. graduation

WILMINGTON - On Thursday November 21, at the Wilmington Senior Center, the Wilmington Police presented the graduation of their second Developing Elders' Choices in Defensive Education. (D.E.C.I.D.E.).

For eight weeks, 10 residents have attended classes at the Senior Center covering topics such as awareness and personal safety, personal space, verbalization, home security, home safety, street safety, cons and con artists, and physical defense.

Wilmington Police Officers Steve Mauriello, Patrick Nally, Julie Lambert, and Brian Pupa have been a part of this program that brings together the Police Department with members of the senior community. Susan Kale of Cambridge Police Department and Maureen Morrison of Harvard University Police Department the founders of the D.E.C.I.D.E. program have been teaching the program to the students. Through cooperation and assistance from Elder Services Director Terri Marciello, this program has been a great success.

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O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart, to succor me in this request; there are none that can withstand your power.

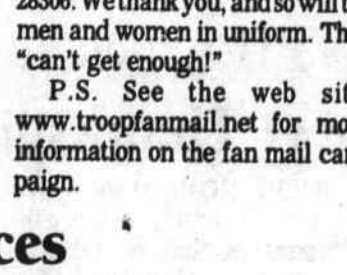
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School Lunch Menus

Wilmington Schools
Week of December 2
Elementary

Monday: Chicken nuggets with assorted sauces, hash browns, seasoned green beans, dinner roll, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Tuesday: Hot dog on a roll, potato chips, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, snack cake.

Wednesday: Yogurt, soft pretzel, fresh vegetable with dip, chilled fruit, milk/juice, cookie.

Thursday: Taco boat, shredded lettuce, tomato, cheese, salsa, ground beef, fluffy rice, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Friday: Italian style pizza, pepperoni optional, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Elementary
Extended Daycare
Boutwell & Wildwood

Monday: Hot dog on a roll, potato chips, seasoned corn, chilled fruit, milk/juice, popcorn.

Tuesday: Pasta with meat sauce or butter, cheese sticks, seasoned vegetable, dinner roll, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Wednesday: Chicken noodle soup with saltines, grilled cheese sandwich, carrot and celery sticks with low fat dip, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dirt cup dessert.

Thursday: Chicken nuggets with assorted sauces, French fries smiles, green beans, wheat bread, chilled fruit, snack cake.

Friday: Italian style pizza, garden salad, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Middle School

Monday: Hot dog on a roll, French fries or potato rounds, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Tuesday: Barbecued chicken nuggets with assorted sauces, whipped potato, seasoned corn, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Wednesday: Loaded nachos, nacho chips, cheese sauce, tomato, lettuce, salsa and seasoned ground beef, seasoned rice, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Thursday: School made soup, grilled cheese sandwich, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, mini-pretzel.

Friday: Pizza bagel, macaroni salad, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

High School

Monday: Chicken parmesan on a roll, rice pilaf, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Tuesday: Steak and cheese bomb, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Wednesday: Taco bar, seasoned rice, shredded lettuce, tomato, cheese and salsa, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Thursday: Assorted wraps, turkey, ham and cheese or tuna salad, potato chips, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Friday: Pizza, pizza, pizza, macaroni salad, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Tewksbury Schools
Week of December 2

Monday: Baconburger with lettuce and tomato on a roll, potato wedges, milk, apple slices with cinnamon.

Tuesday: Orange juice, frankfurter on a roll with mustard and relish, potato puffs, or fries, coleslaw, milk, applesauce.

Wednesday: Chilled juice, loaded beef and cheese nachos with shredded lettuce, tomato cubes and onions, rice, milk, Jello.

Thursday: Chicken fajita strips in a pouch with lettuce and tomato cubes, carrot sticks, milk, peaches.

Friday: Chilled juice, pizza with tomato and cheese, crisp salad, milk, pears.

Shawsheen Tech
Week of December 2

Monday: American chop suey, green beans, hot roll, fresh and canned fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Peofessional day, no lunch served.

Wednesday: Baked crispy chicken, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, hot roll, fresh and canned fruit, baked dessert, milk.

Thursday: Oopen faced hot roast pork sandwich with gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, apple sauce with cinnamon, milk.

Friday: Italian style pizza (cheese or pepperoni), tossed salad, bread stick, fresh and canned fruit, ice cream treat, milk.

Trahan School honor roll

TEWKSBURY - The following students have earned Honor Roll grades for the first marking period at the Louise Davy Trahan School:

Room 16
Kirstin Brolsma
Renee Conlin
Neil Dave
Chris Deacetis
Julia DiDonato
Patrick Downing
Colin Foley
Erin Murphy
Domingos Neves

Room 7
Jennifer Bowers
Vincent Cambio
Jacquelyn Hopkinson
Samantha Meuse
Katherine Raneri
Eric Richards
Leah Russell
Gabrielle Trodella
Courtney Woods

Room 10
Victoria Catanzano
Jessica Frost
David Gallotto
Ian MacKinnon
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Loella F. Dewing honor roll

TEWKSBURY - The administration at Tewksbury's Loella F. Dewing School has released the honor roll for the first marking period with the following students listed:

High honors
Victoria Aronson
Patrick Bernardo
Sarah Burch
Katie Conklin
John Cunniff
Charles Doe
Stephanie Fronduto
Robert Greenwood
Joseph Hulme
Dylan Leone
Jenny Luo
Alyssa Martucci
Christina McCormick
Carolyn Phaneuf
Kevin Poulin
Patricia Ryan
Anthony Salani
Hannah Sedgwick
Lauren Spencer
Peter Stratis
Matthew Sweet
Leanne Tucker
Joshua Voto
Colin Walsh

Honor roll
Derrick Acosta
Mary Ballway
Michael Barker
Joshua Barnes
Michael Begonis
Andrea Borges
Cory Brickley
Breanna Budryk
Keegan Callahan
Saran Carabbio
Maleeha Choudhary
Elizabeth Connolly
Sean Connolly
Trevor Cordwell
Andrew Cunniff
Christopher Dame
Brendan Day
Zachary Demarco
Christine Devine
Ryan Doherty
Stephen Fernandez
James Ferreira
Megan Grayson
Brian Gugger
Brandon Hanafin
Melissa Hanson
Jane Hatzikonstantis
Shannon Heafey
Hannah Hoffman
Matthew Horgan
Andrew Hudson
William Jennings
Ilana Joaquin
Adam Johnson
Alyssa Kelly
Brian King
Jillian LaBonte
Michael Layne
Devyn Lorick
Matthew Luppi
Christina Lusardi
Taylor Martel
Sean McCarthy
Shannon McLaughlin
Marissa Mignone
Derek MInervini
Stefan Monteiro
Katie Mulno
Kyle Murphy
Erika Odgen
Nicholas Parsons
Donald Ray
Sarah Reynolds
Joseph Rogier
Alexandra Russell
Alexander Smith
Elliott Smith
Jenna Stanley
Kyle Stewart
Daniel Sugrue
Catherin Sullivan-Taylor
Thomas Summering
Hayley Sweet
Courtney Taber
Kyle Thomas
Craig Tino
Kailey Tirabassi
Taylar Tirrell
Ashley Toland
Josef Villeneuve
Robert Wallace
Brandon Weiss
Christine Wheaton
Tyler White

Locals qualified for sping 2002 Dean's List at Babson College

WILMINGTON - Kevin C. Carroll, son of Mrs. Nancy A. Carroll of Wilmington and Eric J. Farnkoff, son of George H. Farnkoff, also of Wilmington, have qualified for the spring semester Dean's List at Babson College.

Babson College in Wellesley, is recognized internationally as a leader in entrepreneurial management education. Babson grants BS degrees through its innovative undergraduate program (recipient of the 2002 Theodore M. Hesburgh Award). It grants MBA and custom MS and MBA degrees through the F.W. Olin Graduate School of Business at Babson College (currently celebrating 50 years of Babson MBAs). Babson Interactive LLC develops distance learning programs and business simulations for executives and graduate students.

Matignon honors

WILMINGTON - David DiGuardia, Eric Murray and Christina DePiano have been named to the honor roll for the first quarter at Matignon High School in Cambridge.

Abundant Life Christian School honor roll

WILMINGTON - The first quarter recently ended for the students at the middle school at Abundant Life Christian School.

Here are the sixth, seventh and eighth graders who have recieved Honors and High Honors.

High honors
Grade six
Brittany Schuh
Kim Croteau
Jordan Higgs

Honors
Jayme Lewis
Luke Padilla
Alicia Viola

Grade seven
High honors
Tia Schmidt
Elizabeth Oblom
Michiko Kuorki
Anna Doten

Honors
Lauren Duffy

Grade eight
High honors
Denee Setterlund

Honors
Shayla DiMatteo
Alanna Gilbert
Sarah Hathaway
Bill Larkin
Christie Presz

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Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

Lord of the Rings Festival

WILMINGTON - On Monday, December 2, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., a Lord of the Rings Festival will be presented by Nathalie Demers, Teen Librarian, in celebration of the release of the second Lord of the Rings film. The Two Towers. The Two Towers will be in theaters on December 19th.

Kids ages 12 and up are invited. Stop by and enter the Lord of the Rings "Bookmark Design Contest" and play two rounds of Lord of the Rings Jeopardy. There will be a large display of Lord of the Rings books, videos and music. Snacks will be provided and a door prize given away. Don't miss out on this event!

Three for Alls

Three for Alls, a drop-in story time for three year-olds and their caregivers, will be held Wednesdays, December 4 and 11 at 10:30 a.m.

Time for Twos

A drop-in story time for two year-olds and their caregivers. Time for Twos, will be held Thursday, December 5 at 10 a.m.

Book Discussion

The Dark is Rising by Susan Cooper, was chosen to be the book discussed on Friday, December 13 at 3:30 p.m.

Winner of both Newbery Medal and Carnegie Medal honors, The Dark is Rising is a thrilling fantasy of a boy who discovers he is the Sign-Seeker, last of the immortal Old Ones who must engage in a battle of light over dark forces.

The book is recommended for children in grades five and up.

Public meetings

Approximately 60 people attended the first public meeting on November 21 concerning plans to build a new public library. The next public meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 4, at 1 p.m. at the Buzzell Senior Center. There will also be a public meeting Wednesday, January 15, 2003 at 7 p.m. at the Wilmington Middle School. If you are unable to attend any of these meetings, you may watch the videotape on WCTV.

The audience brought forward many good questions about the project. This column will be used in the next few weeks to share some of the questions and answers that were posed at the public meetings.

What is the purpose of the public meetings?

The purpose of the public meetings is to provide a review of the four sites, showing the pros and cons of each site, which led to the recommendation of the Whitefield site. This is in response to comments by residents about not having enough opportunity to thoroughly review all the feasibility study information including the budget and tax implications, and to express their questions and concerns in a public forum. These meetings will also serve to increase the level of awareness of library space needs and the benefits of a new library. Suggestions, comments and any new information brought forth at these public meetings will be considered as the town goes forward with the project.

Thanksgiving Holiday

The library will close at 5 p.m. Wednesday, November 27, the day before Thanksgiving and will be closed on Thanksgiving Day. The library will be open Friday, November 29 and Saturday November 30 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS. Students from the Wilmington Middle School will be performing in the North Regional Theater Workshop Christmas Concert called "Home for the Holidays," which will be presented at the middle school at 23 Carter Lane on December 7 and 8. In the front row, from left to right, are performers Ann Kilroy and Kathleen Thibault. In the second row are Jo-Ann Crosby and Brenda Correia. In the back are Jessica Stygles and Nancy Seigal. For tickets, call 978-658-0192. (courtesy photo)

Tewksbury to hold financial aid workshop

TEWKSBURY - Tewksbury Public Schools will present a Financial Aid Workshop for Parents and Guardians and for High School Students who are planning to attend two or four year colleges following graduation. This program will take place Tuesday, December 10 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Auditorium of Tewksbury Memorial High School.

This workshop is of particular importance to parents and Guardians of students in Grade 12 and to members of the Senior Class who have or are planning to make application to attend college in September 2003.

Keynote presenters include Ms. Judy Keyes, Director of Financial Aid, University of Massachusetts Lowell, and Ms. Jennifer Miller, Education Financial Officer, Citizens Bank. Ms. Keyes will provide detailed information on the Financial Aid process, explain which forms to fill out and when, and discuss any changes in the process and time lines for completing and filling out the FAFSA end of the CSS/Financial Aid Profile. Ms. Miller will provide information on the types of loans available for funding higher education, the borrowing process, and the expected repayment of loans.

For more information, please call the TMHS Guidance Counselors at 978-640-7838 or Dr. Michele F. DeAngelis, Director of Student Services for the Tewksbury Public Schools, at 978-640-7837.

Safe driving tips for the holidays

BOSTON - Alcohol related crashes continue to be the most frequently committed violent crime in America. Legal drinkers, ages 21-34 are responsible for more than half of all drunk driving accidents. Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts (BCBSMA) Prevention and Wellness Program wants to get you safely through this holiday season.

Whether your Christmas or New Years' Party is held in a ballroom, restaurant, club, or in your home, be a responsible person, and a good friend:

*Know who is driving. Ask each guests who is their designated driver, and give that person a 'no thanks, I'm driving" button or sticker.

*Take the keys from any guest who has lack of coordination, unusual behavior, and slurred or incoherent speech. Observe carefully. Even those without visible signs may be impaired.

*Limit access to alcohol. Never let guests pour their own alcoholic drinks. Hire a trained bartender who will verify everyone's age, pour alcohol lightly, and keep track of refills. Close the bar one hour before the party ends.

*Be prepared. If your event will be held in or close to a hotel, encourage guests ahead of time to reserve rooms for the night.

*Offer options. Have a variety of non-alcoholic beverages available such as juice, soda, bottled water, coffee and tea. Make all food and non-alcoholic drinks self-serve and easily available to encourage their consumption.

*Serve high protein food. Cheese, unsalted nuts, meat, and fish slow the body's absorption of alcohol.

*Provide alternative transportation. Keep telephone numbers for several cab companies.

These suggestions were adapted from the National Highway Traffic administration, Holiday Party Planning/Start Smart!, and the National Commission against Drunk Driving at www.ncadd.com.

BCBSMA's Prevention and Wellness Program started in January 1995 with a series of initiatives designed to promote preventative health care to 2.4 million members. BCBSMA is an independent licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. For more information about Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Massachusetts' Prevention and Wellness Program, call 1-800-262-BLUE.

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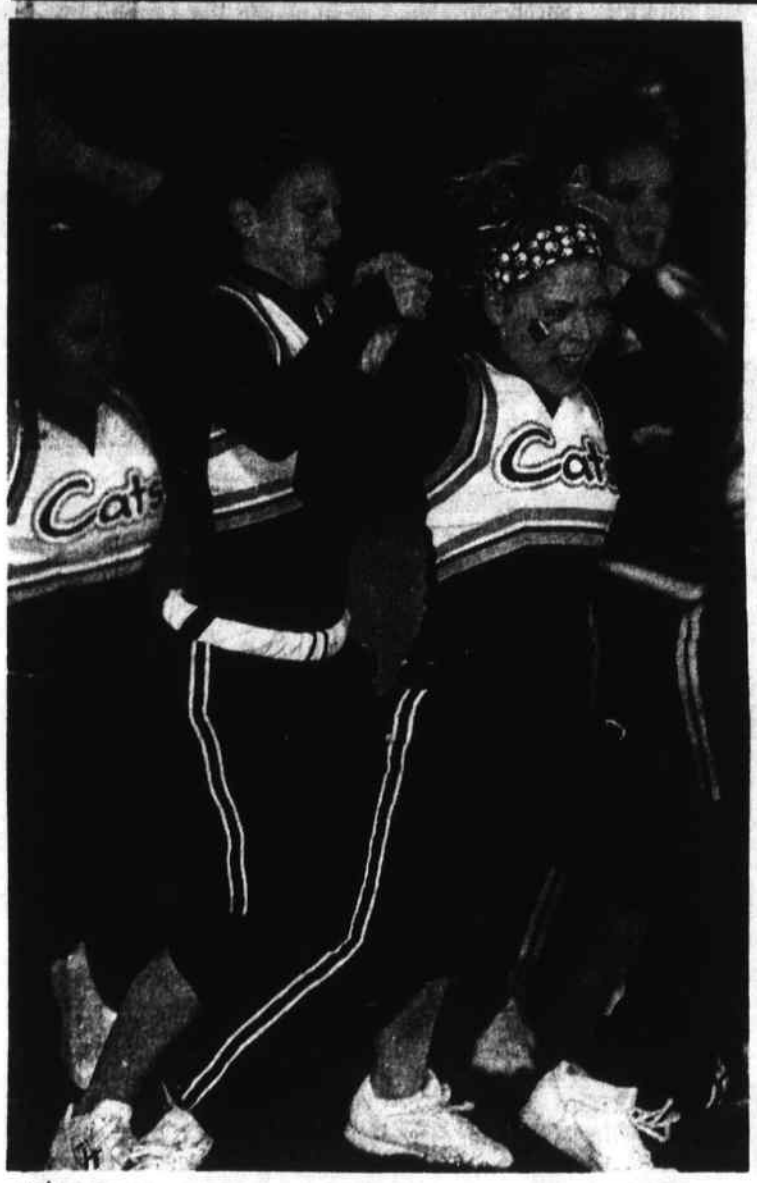
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THE WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS won the Cape Ann League competition and followed that up with a third place finish in the state competition held Sunday in Franklin. (Photo by Jessica Stygles).

Rams gear up for Greater Lowell

By: MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

For the Shawsheen Tech football team, this season has been a disappointing one in many ways. The Rams, coming off two consecutive winning seasons, have posted just a 2-7 record as they enter Thursday's Thanksgiving Day clash with Greater Lowell at Samuel J. Cassidy Field, and many of their seven losses have been games that with a key play or two here and there very well could have seen the Rams on the winning side.

But 2-7 is where they stand heading into this final contest, and Rams coach Al Costabile and his team are not looking back at could have beens and what ifs. They are simply focusing on Greater Lowell, who brings an identical 2-7 record into the turkey day clash. Nine games are in the books and they cannot be changed, but one game remains and there is plenty the Rams can do about that one.

"Sure we would have liked to have a few close games go our way, but there is nothing we can do about the past except learn and move on," Costabile said. "Dwelling on things won't help us on Thanksgiving Day. We must stay focused on what lies ahead. Looking back only leads to excuses."

On Thursday morning, the Rams like many teams across the state, including the team lining up across from them, will be looking to put a positive end to what has been a tough season. It may be a cliché, but a win on Thanksgiving can make up for a world of disappointments during the year.

"Thanksgiving is a second season in itself," Costabile said. "It's a chance at redemption. Many of the season's disappointments can disappear during the celebration of a Thanksgiving win."

The past two seasons have been prefect examples of the emotions that go into a Thanksgiving Day game and the Rams have experienced both sides. Two years ago, with a Super Bowl berth hanging in the balance, the Rams lost in the final minute to Greater Lowell and saw the Gryphons advance to the post season instead of them.

Last season, the Rams entered the game on the Gryphons home field with a 5-5 record and shut out Greater Lowell by a score of 18-0 to assure themselves of a wining season.

That win was huge for the Rams, enabling them to head to the off season in a positive frame of mind, and allowing last year's seniors to leave with a win in their final game at Shawsheen. Costabile is hoping for the same results for this year's group of seniors.

"There are many positive aspects involved in a Thanksgiving win, and one of them is that it's the last game for the seniors and it is a game they will remember forever," Costabile said.

In order for this year's crop of seniors to leave on a positive note, the Rams will have to shut down star Greater Lowell running back Vernon Smith. Smith is the primary weapon in the Gryphons attack, and although the team has struggled this season, Smith has not. The Rams coaches have been impressed by what they have seen from Smith this season.

"He's a power runner, but he has some speed," Costabile said. "He's deceptive because he can bounce to the outside. It looks like you have an angle on him, but he is so fast he can get past you."

The Rams must also watch for quarterback Matt Fuller. Fuller also serves as the Gryphons kicker and is a very good athlete, bringing more than just passing ability to the position. He can also take the ball and run.

"He's a good quarterback and he's got some good mobility," Costabile said.

Despite their 2-7 record, Costabile has great respect for Greater Lowell and their program.

"Greater Lowell is a great rival. They are a program that is rich in success and tradition," Costabile said. "We always face a very well coached team that plays solid football. Their players are always up for the game."

The Rams meanwhile will rely mainly on the running of senior tailback Derek Vacca. Vacca has struggled with some injuries this season, but has still managed to run for 844 yards and five touchdowns this season. He has also caught five passes for 60 yards and a touchdown.

Costabile knows how valuable the 5-10 165 LB Vacca has been to his team this season, despite what has been a tough season to battle through.He has fought through some nagging injuries this season, but Derek is tougher than a .99 cent steak," Costabile said. "He runs hard and is always fighting for the extra yard. He runs like a 200 pound back."

When Vacca isn't running with the ball, the Rams will put it in the capable hands of quarterback Mike Gore, a Wilmington native who will count on a pair of Wilmington receivers in junior Joe Esposito and senior Gerald Holland. Esposito is the Rams leading receiver with 17 receptions for 311 yards and four touchdowns. Gore has thrown for 540 yards and seven touchdowns on the season.

Defensively, tri-captain Jamie Martines has been leading the charge for the Rams from his linebacker position. Martines has 70 tackles this season to lead the Rams while defensive end John Pimental has 2 quarterback sacks and 41 tackles to his credit.

When the Rams take the field Thursday you can be sure there will be some butterflies, but it will be a positive nervous energy flowing through the Rams as they prepare to compete for the Collins Cup, presented to the winning team in a ceremony at the end of the game.

"It is truly a special feeling for the winning team," Costabile said. "And playing at home in front of the biggest crowd of the year really pumps up the entire team and coaching staff. You get an adrenaline rush that words can't describe. It is an experience that you never forget."

Hopefully, at around noon on Thursday, this group of Rams will have created a boatload of great memories.

Esposito catches on for Rams

By: MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

Shawsheen Tech junior wide receiver Joe Esposito took somewhat of a circuitous route to the school he now calls home. He moved to Wilmington from Andover prior to his freshman year in high school. He then spent one year at Wilmington High before transferring to Shawsheen Tech prior to his sophomore year.

The members of the Shawsheen Tech football program would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to both the town of Andover as well as Wilmington High for being nice enough to pass Joe along their way. And no, by the way you cannot have him back.

All Esposito has done this season is lead the Rams in receptions with 17 and receiving yards with 311. Among those 311 yards was a 92 yard touchdown reception earlier this season against North Shore, which is believed to be a school record.

Count Shawsheen coach Al Costabile among those who are thrilled that Esposito found his way to Shawsheen Tech.

"He has worked hard at being a complete player," Costabile said. "He is a tireless player who can run all day long. He loves the game and is a real competitor. Along with being a good receiver, he is also our main man when it comes to blocking a field goal or extra point, with three to his credit this season."

Obviously the season has not gone quite the way Esposito or the Rams would have liked it to go in terms of wins and losses, but Esposito has not let that get him down. He has remained focused throughout the season, and realizes that this season is merely part of a learning process that will hopefully help his team down the road.

"It's been hard, but it helps you learn to lose. You can't always win, and this gives you a new perspective on things," Esposito said. "You just have to fight through it and keep playing hard. You've got to keep going after it."

Esposito and his teammates will most certainly be going after it come Thursday morning when they take on Greater Lowell in their annual Thanksgiving Day clash. Esposito knows that a win in this game can make up for whole lot of losses.

"We just to get in there and win," Esposito said. "We've got to keep that Collins Cup. We need to fight hard and get it done on offense. You forget all the losing if you win your last game. You only really remember the last game. Nobody will remember all the losses before that."

Esposito has hooked up frequently with quarterback Mike Gore, another Wilmington resident, who also came to Shawsheen Tech for his sophomore year and moved into the starting quarterback role this year. Working together in practice has translated into some good success on the field for the pair.

"It's just something that has evolved this year," Esposito said. "It's sort of a new found relationship we have. I met him at Wilmington and we played there together for a yea and then came here together, but it has really come together this year."

That practice time has translated into success during games is no surprise to Costabile. Esposito's work ethic is something that can never be called into question.

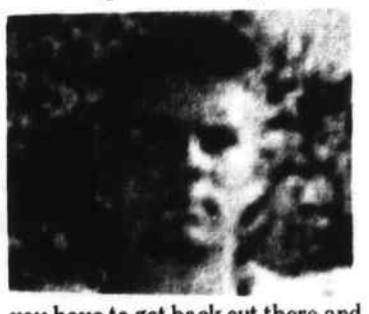
"He works hard in practice and he is sure handed during games," Costabile said. "He has shown steady improvement over the past two seasons. He really gives our offense some punch."

Esposito is equally respectful of Costabile as well as the rest of the Rams coaches and the influence they have had over him, especially in a season such as the one the Rams are experiencing this year.

"Coach C has been a great influence on me," Esposito said. "Every year I have played football since I was seven or eight years old I have had a different coach. I have had some real jokers and a lot of guys who didn't really know what they were doing. But when I came here I saw that it was a team of accomplished coaches who really knew what they were talking about."

And Costabile's steady hand this year has been vital to keeping the Rams together.

"He keeps you together and keeps you fighting every week," Esposito said. "He's always telling us to keep our heads up, and that



you have to get back out there and keep getting the job done."

Off the field Joe has been fortunate to have two huge supporters at home with his parents Lisa and Mark Esposito. Esposito has certainly gained a number of fans this year with his football exploits, but he knows his two biggest fans are his parents.

"My father and my mother have always been a big support to me with playing football," Esposito said. "They come to all my games and always want me to try my hardest and to the best of my ability."

Esposito will continue to get the job done for the Rams next year as well. His role will likely expand even more next year if that is possible, and he is ready for the challenge. One thing is for sure; he will come in next year in shape and ready to play, looking to avenge many of the losses from this year.

"I will start preparing basically right after this season end for next season, and I will start running during the summer," Esposito said. "I want to stay in good shape and help the team. I hope I will have more of a leadership role since I will be a senior."

Costabile is very pleased to know that a player like Esposito will be returning next year to help towards a successful season.

"He will provide even more excitement for us on Thanksgiving and next year," Costabile said. "He is a very coachable player and a positive element on our team. Our challenge for next year will be to find more ways to get him the ball."

Under 12A team wins

The U12A Wilmington Wildcats were already in mid-season form as evidence by its victory over Winchester at Ginn Field. Playing their third game of the season, the Wildcats lined up in front of Scott Bonica, patrolling the net for the first half. Bonica, who went on to make three great saves in the half, balanced the offensive attack of Kieran Carroll, Kevin Moran and Jonathan Spurr. At the defensive end of the field Justin Dirienza, Dan Dellisola, Ryan Searles, Chris Thibault and Dylan Reed were instrumental in the team's first shutout of the year. The charge began with Matt Hachey pass to Eric Parsons for a blocked shot. Kenny Vassallo kept up the pressure taking a shot from midfield. But is was Moran who scored the first goal for the Wildcats at the 20 minute mark with a crisp shot that was deflected into the net.

In the second half with Moran now in net, Wilmington pressed Winchester trying to get an insurance goal to ice the victory. Midfielders Colin Wilson, Steve Stewart and Andrew Puccio kept pressing Winchester. Jason Perriera's corner kick out in front of the net resulted in several shots for the Wildcats. The pressure was too much to withstand with Mike Scola scoring minutes later to give the Wildcats a two goal lead. Moran made several nice saves down the stretch.

The team then defeated Tewksbury, 3-0. After Scott Bonica turned aside several shots against Tewksbury while guarding the post. The defensive unit of Justin Dirienzo, Danny Dellisola, Dylan Reed and Ryan Searles did their job by keeping the ball at midfield.

Combining on defense, Bonica came out of the goal to make a great sliding save. Tewksbury, relentless, tried to hid a rebound shot but was blocked by Chris Thibault who came from behind and cleared the ball.

Taking a pass from Mike Scola, Jason Perriera scored at the 25 minute mark with a shot from the right side. He wasn't through scoring though. With seconds to go in the half, Perriera scored again, this time from mid-field to make the score 2-0.

Now in the second half, Colin Wilson would share the credit for the eventual shutout. But not before the Wildcats did some more damage offensively. Combining teamwork passing with precision shooting, Reed cleared the ball to Perriera who in turn forwarded it on to Bonica at midfield. A forward pass to Matt Hachey followed who then found Jonathan Spurr open to score the final goal of the contest.

Keiran Connor made a nice corner kick pass to Searles who unload a long bomb that just sailed over the net. The team ends their season with a 6-2 record.

Callahan a spark for Rams

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

If you are heading to Thursday's Thanksgiving Day game between Shawsheen Tech and Greater Lowell at Samuel J. Cassidy Field, do yourself a favor keep your eyes on number 54 in purple. Shawsheen Tech senior Dave Callahan, a center and tackle on offense and a right tackle on defense is sure to provide many great plays during the game.

One of the constants all season for the Rams this year has been that



Callahan will always be in the middle of the action. A fiery competitor who goes all out on very play, Callahan will be playing in his last game on Thursday and you better believe he is ready to play.

"We have to come out tough and ready to play," Callahan said. "It's like a new season for us. Wednesday (last week) was our first day of practice for our new season so we want to make this game like our Super Bowl."

Callahan, of course, seems to treat every game like it is the Super Bowl. And he practices like he plays, always working at every practice to improve his game.

"He is one of the most improved players in the program," Shawsheen coach Al Costabile said. "He is a constant at practice. He works hard and is never short on effort and emotion. He has become a real presence on the offensive and defensive lines."

Callahan has seen his playing time increase in each of he last three years. As a sophomore he saw very limited playing time on the varsity level, and last year he saw that time increase somewhat. And now as a senior he starts both ways and has become on of the key components of the team.

The season obviously has not gone the way Callahan or his teammates would have liked with a 2-7 record as they enter Thursday's game, but Callahan has certainly not lost his desire to play, and knows that what has happened so far this season doesn't matter on turkey day.

"It's been tough this year because of all the injuries we have had that affected us throughout the season and we've played a lot of good team this year like Tyngsboro and Lynn Tech," Callahan said. "This being my senior year I was hoping to at least have a winning season or compete for the league title. But whatever comes, comes and we still have one game to play."

Costabile and the rest of the Shawsheen coaches know that all of their players will certainly be ready for Thanksgiving, but in the case of Callahan it is very evident.

"I don't have to worry about Dave Callahan being up for the game on Thanksgiving," Costabile said. "He loves the sport and is wiling to do whatever is best for the team."

To get an idea of how much this game will mean to Callahan all you need to do is ask him what his biggest memory of his high school football career is. Whereas most players would point to the team's biggest win, or their greatest individual game, Callahan's choice shows just how much the team means to him.

"The game I remember most was my sophomore year on Thanksgiving when we lost by two points to Greater Lowell," Callahan said. "We had the Super Bowl right in our hands and for those seniors to lose after playing so well in that game and having such a good season was tough."

Those seniors have moved on, but Callahan and his teammates have not forgotten what that game meant to them. The Rams got a measure of revenge last season with an 18-0 win over Greater Lowell, but the job is not yet done.

"Losing the game two years ago made our Thanksgiving last year huge, but the memory is still around," Callahan said. "We have posters hanging up in the locker room that say 'Remember sophomore year'," Callahan said. "It pumps everybody up to play on Thanksgiving because it would be nice to win this game for those seniors from that year."

Callahan is a wrestler during the winter months and has been very successful in that sport as well. He will head on to college next year with an eye on Northeastern and the University of Southern Maine. Callahan would like to continue his sports career wherever he goes on to college and if he is able to do that, he knows there are several coaches at Shawsheen whom he can thank for the training skills he has developed.

"Coach C has been great keeping the team together, and keeping us working hard and my offensive and defensive line coach Chuck Baker has been a big help to me. I've been with him for four years and he has taught me some great techniques," Callahan said.

He has received similar guidance during the wrestling season.

"My wrestling coach Mark Donovan has been a huge influence on me for four years," Callahan said. "He has pushed me and helped me get intothe shape I am now in. He is always telling me that I can do better."

He has also gotten great support from his parents Patricia and Robert,particularly his dad who has been a constant source of support andguidance in his career.

"My father is the one who got me into football when I was eight yearsold, and he has never missed a game," Callahan said. "He's been a hugeinfluence on me. After a tough loss he is always telling me to keep myhead up and keep working hard."

His parents are certainly proud of Dave's efforts and they are not theonly ones. Costabile has been very impressed with what he has seen overthe past few years from Callahan.

"Dave has been a real pleasure to coach," Costabile said. "I am veryproud of the progress he has made during his high school career."

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Bettencourt takes game, life to a new level

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

On Monday morning the Boston Red Sox named 28-year-old Theo Epstein their new general manager. Epstein is said to be mature beyond his years and is ready for the challenge.

It's seems only fitting that just last week another young man who loves baseball is ready for a new challenge. Tewksbury High senior catcher DJ Bettencourt, who is mature beyond his age times three, signed a letter of intent this past week to play baseball at UMass Amherst as he received a baseball scholarship.

Normally any 18-year-old kid who gets a scholarship to UMass would automatically be thinking about partying, about late night weekends with the guys and all of the extra stuff that comes with being a student-athlete for a Division 1 college baseball program. Not Bettencourt. If there's a more genuine, mature kid than he who has walked through the halls of TMHS, we'd like to meet him.

On top of that, Bettencourt became just the second player under head coach Ron Drouin to get a college scholarship, with Derek Heald the other back in 1994.

"My parents made a commitment to me and that made me the person I am today and the baseball player I am today," said Bettencourt. "They made the commitment to me financially when I was younger and driving me around everywhere. I wanted to reward them for that. I'll be getting a superb education, and I have a scholarship. I wanted to give something back to them."

Bettencourt, who has played three years of varsity for Drouin started out at first base as a freshman before moving behind the plate for the last two years, was named the MVC Small School MVP (although he had the most voted in the entire conference) this past spring. He batted .455 and has been a league all-star for three years and a two-time all-conference selection. He was also named a Boston Herald All-Scholastic this past spring. He comes into this season with 86 hits and will most likely pass the 100 mark which Drouin said will be by far the most any kid will have since he's been there.

"I think DJ got everything he deserves," said Drouin. "He's the hardest working kid I've ever coached. His work ethic is unmatched. He did the things he needed to do as a freshman and a sophomore to get to that next level. He lifted weights, he went to Tom Boyle hitting camp and he took two tenths of a second off his 60-yard dash time. UMass is getting a better kid than a baseball player in DJ. UMass is getting a great person. He's a valuable asset to any program. He's been an absolute pleasure."

Bettencourt lives in Salem, New Hampshire but is able to attend TMHS because his mother is a teacher there. His father, Dave, is a longtime high school baseball coach with many stops including winning state titles at Andover before taking the job at UNH. He is currently the coach at Lawrence High. DJ said it wasn't until middle school when he realized that he wanted to take the game of baseball a little more serious. His Dad put forth a lot of time making DJ a better player.

The summer of being in seventh grade, DJ was a member of the 13-year-old Salem, NH All-Star team. He was a part time catcher, part time first baseman on that team which won the Little League World Series in Taylor, Michigan.

"I was primarily a pinch hitter," said Bettencourt. "They used me in so many tough positions. I'd get up with the bases loaded and the winning run on third. I wasn't an important player but I certainly was a part of it."

From there he started working diligently to become better. He said his father had high school seniors throwing batting practice to him even though he was in eighth grade.

"My father had a lot to do with this," he said. "When my competitive juices started he was the one who helped me tremendously on becoming a better hitter and becoming a better catcher. He developed me and guided me. I owe a lot to him. I really do. I know kids say that all of the time about their parents, but I really don't know if I would be the person or the athlete I am today without him."

DJ didn't stop thanking people either. Besides his parents, he spoke lengthy about the dedication Drouin gave, as well as how the community, the school, the principals, his teachers and his teammates all made him feel as if Tewksbury is his home.

"I certainly owe Coach Drouin a lot," said DJ. "All the work he put in for me, all of the phone calls and all of the advice he gave me was great. He set me straight and constantly went forward. There were some schools that called and said they weren't interested, so he said 'OK it's time to look in another direction'. He's the one who got me into the Bay State games, the Brockton tournament and all of the other showcases. If it wasn't for him doing that, none of those colleges would have seen me play."

Bettencourt went through his college decision and it was pretty fascinating.

"Believe me when I was a freshman or sophomore I thought senior year would be fun picking a college but boy was I in for a rude awakening," he said. "It was the most important and the most difficult decision I had to make in my entire life. I had the schools narrowed down to BC, Holy Cross, UMass, Northeastern and Vermont. I didn't do great on my SATs, 1050, but they weren't bad either. So that score eliminated BC and Holy Cross.

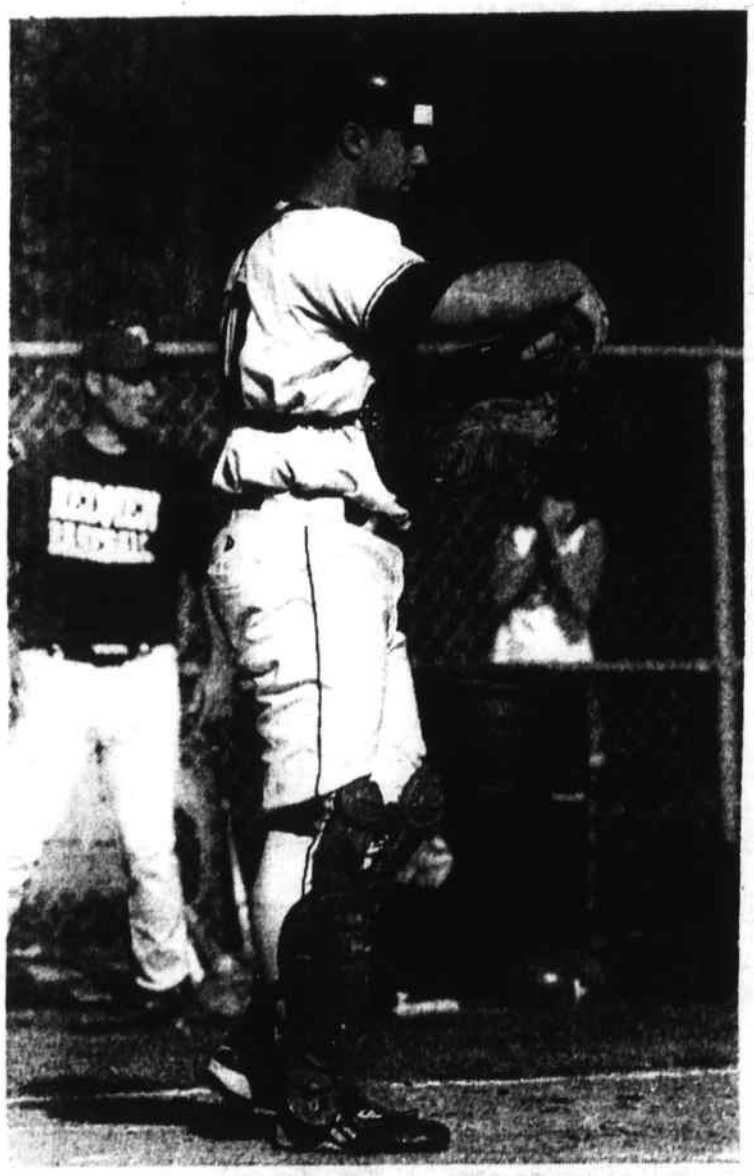
"Then I visited UMass and talked to coach [Mike] Stone. He said that he had a catcher who I know, Frank Correri, and that if I came there the two of us would split the duties for the next three years. Then I thought about my parents being able to watch me play on weekends. I wanted to keep in touch with everyone and if I went to Vermont they wouldn't be able to see me. So I narrowed it down to UMass and Northeastern.

"I want to go to law school and become a lawyer so that's what it pretty much came down to. I liked the campus and the guys on the team seemed nice. But when I told them I wasn't a party guy they said that's fine there's something for everyone to do on the campus. And that's true. I felt comfortable. As for baseball, they played some great teams. I know they play University of Florida and they are ranked nationally. I know they've been pretty successful and they've had a couple of kids drafted recently."

UMass plays in the Atlantic 10 conference. Last year the team finished 21-26, but coming into this season they have 6 of their 8 position players back, and 7 returning pitchers.

"I think I'm a pretty humbled person," said Bettencourt. "I'm a very hard worker and I've made the commitment to be a pretty good player. But I can't sit back and say 'OK I have a scholarship now'. I still have one mor year at Tewksbury to show that I can get the job done, and then I have four years at UMass to prove to all of those guys that I can get the job done."

A new challenge lies ahead for a young man who is mature beyond his years.



TEWKSBURY CATCHER DJ BETTENCOURT will be heading to UMass Amherst next year on a baseball scholarship. (Photo by Jessica Stygles).

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Pee Wee C's face tough task in youth hockey

The Wilmington Pee Wee C's knew they had a difficult task last weekend when they had to face two top teams, Burlington and Billerica, back to back.

Burlington 5, Wilmington 2

The 2-1 parity season record compiled by Wilmington resulted in them being elevated two divisions for the start of the Dual State regular season. Their first contest would be Saturday against a powerful Burlington squad, who sailed through the parity round undefeated.

Although shorthanded for this game, the Wildcats came out strong and scored the opening goal at 9:02 of the 1st period. Stephano Santini broke up ice and his high, hard shot beat the Burlington goaltender. Burlington tried to come back quickly when they caught Wilmington in a line change and broke in. Zach Rosa came up with his first of several spectacular stops to foil the attempt.

Wilmington went up 2-0 at 5:25 of the period when Santini and Phil D'Arcangelo combined deep in their own end to get the puck up to Alan-Michael Santos. Santos carried in and ripped off a shot for the score. A minute later Santos set up Jared Hayes for an attempt. Hayes' tough shot was stopped on a great save by the netminder.

Rosa made a quick glove save early in the 2nd period but on the next play a Burlington forward took a pass from the right side and his high, steaming shot put Burlington on the board. After killing off back to back penalties, Burlington tied the game at 3:34 when a player in front lifted a rebound into the net after Rosa had made the initial save.

With Hayes filling in at forward, the Wildcat defense was undermanned and Burlington took advantage of it by making defensemen Paul Martel, Brenda Foley, and Charles Barbaro work extra hard in front of the net. With only 31 seconds left in the period Rosa made another superb glove stop only to have a Burlington player quickly snap in the rebound for a 3-2 lead.

Wilmington started the 3rd period shorthanded but Santos, D'Arcangelo, Martel, and Foley did an excellent job of killing the penalty. Around the 8:00 minute mark Rosa, again, was under attack. Burlington buzzed the Wildcat zone, picking up several shots. Rosa made many fine saves but after sliding across the crease to get a pad on one shot, a Burlington player, left alone on the far side, put in the rebound to make it 4-2. They would score again on a play off the face-off at 2:49 and Burlington's comeback was complete at 5-2.

Wilmington 6, Billerica 2

On Sunday the Wildcats returned to the Ristuccia Center for a rematch with 1st place Billerica. Billerica, undefeated in Valley League play, had beaten Wilmington 5-3 in their last encounter. Wilmington got one of their players back for this game and were able to fill out their lines and defensive pairings to match up against the hard hitting Billerica team.

In this game, Wilmington once again got excellent goaltending from Zach Rosa, heads up play by all four defensemen, and hustle, determination, and powerful skating from every forward. Put it all together and the result was Wilmington outskating Billerica to 6-2 victory.

After some hard work along the boards by Dom McCann, Stephano Santini took control of the puck, skated in, and blasted a shot past the goaltender at 7:00 of the opening period. Later in the period, after a face-off, Scott Benard and Ryan Kennedy combined with some quick passes to get the puck to Jon See. See's score at 3:42 put Wilmington up 3-0.

The hustle and hard work along the boards by Santini, Benard, Kevin Carter, and Alan-Michael Santos threw Billerica off their game, as they are used to controlling the boards.

The 2nd period started with Rosa making several early stops and then Santos broke down ice. He spotted linemate Phil D'Arcangelo coming down the middle and fed him a perfect pass. D'Arcangelo's shot gave the Wildcats a three goal cushion.

At 9:14 Santini and Chris Thibault put pressure on the Billerica goalie with several close shots. Before he would take a high check to the head, Santini got off a shot which broke through for his second goal of the game and a 4-0 lead. After Rosa made a save on a break-in, Santini moved the puck out of the zone and up to McCann. McCann fed Thibault and his shot beat the Billerica netminder at 6:09 to put Wilmington up 5-0.

Billerica, unaccustomed to being down by such a score, turned up the offense a notch. Unfortunately for them, they ran into defenseman Jared Hayes at the blue line. Hayes had three breakups on three consecutive plays. Paul Martel got back on a Billerica forward who had snuck through and smartly took the puck away. Brendan Foley and Charles Barbaro also made super plays, especially at the points, keeping the puck in the offensive zone. The back-checking of Carter and Benard greatly aided the defense.

Billerica got on the board at 10:02 of the 3rd period when a forward made a nice stick-handling play to beat Rosa. A minute later they peppered Rosa with shots and it was the third rebound shot that got by for Billerica's second goal.

At 6:07 D'Arcangelo found McCann in front. McCann's shot was stopped but came right out to D'Arcangelo and he fired in his second goal of the game. With under two minutes to play Billerica got a powerplay but the intense penalty killing of See and Kennedy didn't allow Billerica out of their own end. The final score was 6-2.

It's early in the season but with Wilmington giving Billerica their first defeat, they move to within two points of 1st place in the very tight Red East Division of the Valley League. Next Saturday morning Wilmington will look to knock off another undefeated team in a Dual State match-up with Winchester. It was Winchester who gave the Wildcats their only Dual State parity round loss back in September.

Thanks to Brother's Pizza for generously sponsoring the Pee Wee C's this season.

Squirt B's take on Cape Ann

For two solid periods last Saturday in Malden, a stocky, second place Cape Ann Squirt A hockey team tried their darndest to pummel the Wilmington Squirt B's into surrendering sole possession of first place in the Valley League Blue South Division, but the strategy of intimidation blew up in their faces like a trick cigar as the Wildcats refused to be bullied and took a 5-2 win to hold on to their top berth.

From the moment the referee dropped the puck, Cape Ann (3-1-0) tried to wrest control with a game plan of physical dominance, but it wasn't until the third period when, down 4-0, they realized they had picked the wrong team to try it out on and resorted to playing hockey.

Pat Young scored the first of Wilmington's two first period goals with a nice wrister that made it by Cape Ann's goalie Connor Cranston. Young's line mates, Nick Masiello and David Mello, set up the goal by forcing Cranston out of position with shots of their own to give Young the daylight he needed to scoop up the rebound and get Wilmington on the board.

With a minute plus to go in the first, defenseman Kevin Moriarty then launched a searing shot from out by the blue line that David Sugrue deflected in mid air through the five hole to make it 2-0 Wilmington. Just prior to the goal, Adam Martinello had rushed the puck through traffic and made a nice attempt, only to be denied by Cranston.

Later in the second period, Masiello instigated Wilmington's next score by getting the puck to Pat Young, who ran it up the left side and hit fellow winger David Mello with pass in the middle. Mello popped off a nice shot that penetrated to give the Cats a 3-0 lead. Then Nick Masiello closed out the second with some fancy footwork that brought him into Cape Ann's end for a shot that landed with just a second left on the clock. Kevin Moriarty and Pat Young got assists.

Trailing by four goals going into the third period, Cape Ann changed its style of play from physical intimidation to offensive desperation and went on to score two goals in the period, but not before Wilmington's Jimmy Stokes took a pass from Cole Carter, skated it in from the blue line and hit the near corner with the Wildcats' fifth goal to give them a commanding 5-0 lead with 10:30 remaining.

Cape Ann got its two goals from Connor Ressel at 4:08 and 6:16 of the third to avoid the shutout.

Wilmington got strong games from defensemen Johnny Malone, Tommy Quilty and Alex Williams, and from forwards Adam Siegel, Mark Flanagan and Brian Coutu, to help with the win. Netminder Craig Bernard arguably had his best game in the net yet, registering 13 quality saves against the high flying Cape Ann offense.

With the win, Wilmington is now 5-0, and has beaten each of its five opponents in the Blue South Division.

Squirt C's busy lately

Wilmington 2, Reading 1

The Squirt C's met Reading's Squirt C's in Valley League competition Ryan Derian came out in the first period to get two quick goals assisted by Megan Souza and Scott Deronde. The defensive plays by Megan Souza, Ian Haggerty, Cori Michals, Tom Cushing and Brian Good shut down Reading's attempts to get close to the goal.

The Cats had numerous shots on net. Danny Creedon and Drew Cummings, along with Domenic Dirupo and Dennis Gingras moved the puck down into Reading's zone. John Hughson, Matt Kasparian, Scott Layton and Steve Taylor each attempted to get close to Reading's goalie. With one minute left in the game, Reading got the puck past Joe Aucoin to get on the board. Joe Aucoin again was unbeatable in net, helping to give the Cats another victory.

Wilmington 3, NH Jr. Bruins 2

The Squirt C's met the N.H. Jr. Bruins Squirt B team for Valley League play. Four minutes into the first period, Danny Creeden put the Cats on the board with their first goal on a nice pass from John Hughson. Less than a minute later, some fancy stick work from John Hughson got him an unassisted goal giving the Cats a two point lead.

The Bruins came back to score twice in the period to end in a tie. The second period started with the offensive plays by Ryan Derian, Dennis Gingras, Scott Layton and Steve Taylor chipped away at the Bruins goalie but were unable to find an opening. The Cats effectively killed two power plays in the second period with some strong defensive play from Megan Souza who dumped the puck out of the zone to Ian Haggerty and Drew Cummings ending the second period with the score still tied.

Four minutes into the third period the Cats were down two men, Cori Michals, Domenic Dirupo and Tommy Cushing effectively killed a three on five by holding the puck in the Bruins end and not allowing a shot on goal. Joe Aucoin was a wall stopping two breakaways on net. With seven minutes left in the game, Scott Deronde assisted by Matt Kasparian got the puck past the Bruins goalie, giving the Cats a well earned win.

Wilmington 5, Billerica 2

The Squirt C's played Billerica's Squirt C's in dual state play. The Cats came out playing strong hockey and it didn't take long for their hard work to pay off. Less than two minutes into the game, Cori Michals got an unassisted goal to put the Cats on the board. Two minutes later Matt Kasparian gave the Cats their second goal on an up ice pass from John Hughson. Ryan Derian on a pass out front from Scott Deronde put the Cats up by three.

Billerica came back to score a goal, putting them on the board to end the first period. Defensive teams of Scott Layton, Megan Souza, Brian Good and Ian Haggerty cleared the puck from the zone and fed it up to Danny Creedon, Dennis Gingras and Domenic Dirupo who each had scoring attempts on Billerica's goalie.

The second period saw the Cats lone goal from Drew Cummings on a rebound from Cori Michals proving again that if given an opportunity the Cats turn them into goals. Steve Taylor and Tommy Cushing helped feed the puck into Billerica's zone keeping their defense busy. With two minutes left in the third period, some fast up ice passing from Scott Layton and Scott Deronde gave Ryan Derian the Cats' final goal of the game. Joe Aucoin again closed the doors on another Wilmington opponent.

Football recruiting night

The 15th Annual Eastern Mass and Southern New Hampshire College Football Night will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2002, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Courtyard Marriott, Boston North Woburn/Stoneham, 700 Unicorn Park Drive, Woburn.

Several area colleges and Eastern Colleges will be in attendance. All senior football players are encouraged to attend this important recruiting night. There is no cost involved.

For questions call: Bob Aylward, at school: (978) 640-7834; Ed Harrison, evenings at: (978) 658-3144; Rob Aylward, evenings at: (978) 453-8767.

Directions:

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From the North

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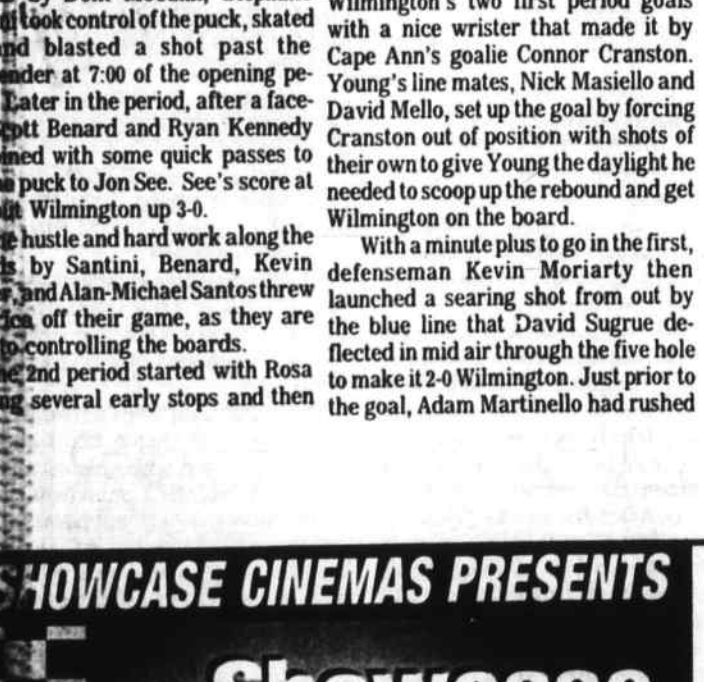
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Wilmington Community Fund

Christmas ornament tradition continues

WILMINGTON - The Wilmington Community Fund has issued their 2002 Christmas Tree ornament. This edition to the collection is a pewter snowflake held by a silver thread. It will be available beginning December 7th at the Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony on Wilmington Town Common in the 4th of July Headquarters at 5:00 'til everyone goes home about 8 that evening. Also several locations around town: Leduc's Card Shop at 211 Lowell St., Joe Barry's Oil at 212 Main St., the Town Crier office at 104 Lowell St. or Rick's Barbershop in North Wilmington Center at 378 Middlesex Ave.

They are $8.00 each or 2 for $15. All money goes directly to the Wilmington Community Fund and benefits people in Wilmington who need help. The Wilmington Community



Fund has been around since 1945, living up to their motto, People Helping People. They run the Food Pantry and provide personal disaster assistance to families in town. The Community Fund has also donated "The Jaws of Life" to the Wilmington Fire Department and last year offered a free CO-2 detector to families in Wilmington.

The Community Fund also provides a scholarship to a deserving WHS student each year.

The Food Pantry is open for donations every Saturday from 10 to 12 noon for donations or food can be dropped in a donation box at Lucci's Supermarket and at Sovereign Bank in the Wilmington Plaza

An interesting idea has been started recently at the Wilmington Memorial Library. Late fines can be excused for overdue books by donating an item (or two or three) to the Food Pantry. But one does not need to be guilty of holding a book too long to make that donation. Quick readers can also help stock the shelves, and their contributions will be equally appreciated.

If all these ways are not convenient enough, the Wilmington Post Office can help. A food item place in you mailbox will be collected by your letter carrier and delivered to the Food Pantry at no charge to you or the Pantry.

The Community Fuund phone number is 978-658-7425

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

BOARD OF APPEALS
CONTINUED HEARING

A Continued Public Hearing will be held at the Tewksbury Town Hall on **Monday, December 9, 2002,** beginning at 7:00 P.M. on the following application:

Continued Hearing

7:00 PM: L.A. Associates, Inc., owner of record Thomas J. O'Connor, for a Comprehensive Permit under Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 40B, to construct eight (8) townhouse units, two (2) of which will be affordable units at 80% of median income for Tewksbury. The premises is located at **214 South Street,** Assessor Map 94, Lot 32, zoned R-40, Residential.

Tewksbury
N20,27;3063 Board of appeals

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

PLANNING BOARD
LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING
DEFINITIVE SUBDIVISION

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **Monday, December 16, 2002 at 7:15 PM** in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by **Jacqueline McCarthy.** Said property is located at **Marshall Street,** Assessor's Map 33, Lot 34 zoned Residential.

The application may be examined in the Department of Community Development Office, 999 Whipple Road, Tewksbury, MA, during 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday.

Steven J. Sadwick
N27,D4;3068 Director

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY
COURT DEPARTMENT
MIDDLESEX Division
Docket No. 02P3689EP1

In the Estate of **Emily A. Marrone** Late of **Tewksbury** in the County of **Middlesex** Date of Death July 20, 2002.

NOTICE OF PETITION
FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that **Julia A. Eagan** of **Hudson** in the State of New **Hampshire** be appointed executrix, named in the will to serve without surety.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at Cambridge on or before ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 AM) on **December 18, 2002.**

In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. BEVERLY WEINGER BOORSTEIN, ESQUIRE, ACTING First Justice of said Court at Cambridge this day, November 18, 2002.

John R. Buonomo
N27;3073 Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE

(A.C. 93)

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
PROBATE COURT

Middlesex, ss. 02E0180PP

To Joseph Kitson of Tewksbury in the County of Middlesex. Nationsbanc Mortgage Corp. of New York, Novus Financial Corp. of Illinois and to all other persons interested.

A petition has been presented to said Court by Jean E. Olsen of Tewksbury in the County of Middlesex representing that she holds, as tenants in common one undivided half part or share of certain land lying in Tewksbury in said County and briefly described as follows:

that certain parcel of land situate in Tewksbury, in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth, bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by the Northeasterly line of Overlook Drive, by a line and two curved lines measuring together, two hundred and 61/100 (200.61) feet;

Northwesterly by land now or formerly of Alton Properties, Inc., about three hundred twelve (312) feet;

Northeasterly by Ames Lake; and

Southeasterly by Lot 193, about three hundred eight (308) feet;

All of said boundaries are determined by the Land Court to be located as shown on subdivision plan 27170-H, Sheet one (1), which is filed with Certificate of Title 18132, the same being compiled from a plan drawn by Dana F. Perkins & Sons, Surveyors, dated February 20, 1968, and additional data on file in the Land Registration Office, all as approved by the Court and said land is shown as Lot one hundred ninety-four (194) on said plan:

The above described land is subject to the flow of natural water courses running through the same as shown on said plan:

So much of the land hereby registered as is included within the limits of the ways, shown on, said plan, is subject to the rights of all persons lawfully entitled thereto in and over the same.

setting forth that she desires that - all - the following described part - of said land may be sold at private sale for not less than $450,000.00 dollars, and praying that partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end that a commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all, or any part of said land which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided either at private sale or public auction, and be ordered to distribute the net proceeds thereof.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 27th day of December 2002, the return day of this citation.

Witness, Beverly Weinger Boorstein Esquire, Acting First Judge of said Court, this eighteenth day of November 2002.

John R. Buonomo
N27,D4,11;3080 Register

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE
MORTGAGEE'S SALE
OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by **Barbara J. Hussey and Dennis P. Frotton to H&R Block Mortgage Corporation,** dated April 20, 2001 and recorded with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 11567, Page 001 of which mortgage **Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee for registered Holders of Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2001-B, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2001-B, without recourse** is the present holder by assignment, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 147 Main Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 A.M. on December 16, 2002, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land in Wilmington, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts with the buildings thereon and more particularly bounded and described as follows, to wit; Lots 165, 166 on Main Street, Lots 243, 244 on Dewey Avenue as shown on a plan of Lots at Silver Lake Park. Said plan being made by A.L. Elliot, Surveyor dated January 5, 1903, and recorded with Middlesex Northern District Registry of Deeds, Book of Plans 20, Plan 9.

Said Lots 165 and 166 measure each twenty (20) feet in width by one hundred (100) feet in depth, and containing each according to said plan, two thousand (2,000) square feet, more or less, said Lots 243, 244 measure each twenty (20) feet in width by eighty (80) feet in depth, and contains each, according to said plan, one thousand six hundred (1,600) square feet, more or less.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of $5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or current funds in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, LLP, 201 Chelmsford Street, Chelmsford, MA 01824-2307, c/o Sanjit S. Korde or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Wells Fargo Bank, Minnesota N.A. as Trustee for registered Holders of Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2001-B, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2001-B, without recourse, present holder of said mortgage,
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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

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LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING
DETERMINATION OF
APPLICABILITY

Note is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on December 4, 2002 at 7:15 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Joe Giamo for a Determination of Applicability.

Said Property is located on 28 Judique Road. Assessor's Map(s) 91 Lot(s) 35. To construct an 18' x 20' family room.

The application may be examined in the Planning and Conservation Department during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

Stan Folta
N27;3076 Chairman

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

BOARD OF APPEALS

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road on December 16, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. on the following applications:

Case 98-2002

Michael Broderick seeking a determination by The Board under Sec. 6.1.2.1 of the Wilmington Zoning Bylaw that a proposed alteration to a nonconforming structure does not increase any portion (s) of the nonconforming nature of the existing structure (existing dwelling is within the front yard setback and lot has insufficient frontage, width, depth and are - proposing to remove an existing deck and replacing it with an addition) for property located on 3 Wakefield Avenue. Map 9 Parcel 75.

Case 99-2002

Glenn D. Sullivan c/o R. Peterson to acquire a variance from Standard Dimensional Regulations (Table II) Sec. 5.2.1 and 5.2.3 for an existing dwelling to remain as situated on a lot having insufficient area and width for property located on 20 Cunningham Street. Map 69 Parcel 87.

Case 100-2002

Glenn D. Sullivan c/o R. Peterson to acquire a variance from Standard Dimensional Regulations (Table II) Sec. 5.2.1, 5.2.2 and 5.2.3 to construct a single family dwelling on a lot having insufficient area, frontage and width for property located on 20 Cunningham Street. Map 69 Parcel 87.

Case 101-2002

Bruce & Dawn Duggan seeking a determination by The Board under Sec. 6.1.2.1 of the Wilmington Zoning Bylaw that is proposed alteration to a nonconforming structure does not increase any portion (s) of the nonconforming nature of the existing structure (existing lot has insufficient area, frontage, width and depth and existing dwelling is within the front and side yard setbacks) for property located on 39 Roosevelt Road. Map 7 Parcel 92.

Wilmington
N27,D4;3081 Board of Appeals

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in Room 9 at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA at 8:00 P.M. on Monday, December 9, 2002 by the Board of Selectmen for the transfer of the All Alcohol Restaurant License of **99 Boston, Inc. d/b/a 99** Restaurant - Pubs, 144 Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA to 99 Restaurants of Boston, LLC d/b/a 99 Restaurant & Pub.

Robert J. Cain, Chairman
N27;3077 Board of Selectmen

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

CONSERVATION
COMMISSION
LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE OF INTENT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on December 4, 2002 at 7:05 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for a Notice of Intent.

Said Property is located on 2342 Main Street. Assessor's Map(s) 95 Lot(s) 99.

To construct a 140 foot wireless flagpole, 11' x 8" x 30'-0" Verizon Equipment Shelter and 40' x 50' brick-faced concrete enclosure.

The application may be examined in the Planning and Conservation Department during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

Stan Folta,
N27;3075 Chairman

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids will be received at the Office of the Town Manager, Town Hall, Wilmington, Massachusetts, until Thursday, December 12, 2002 at 11:00 a.m., where and when they will be publicly opened and read, to furnish and deliver to the Town of Wilmington:

One (1) 2002 Four Wheel Drive Loader/Backhoe with All Wheel Steer and Side-Shift Backhoe.

Detailed specifications may be obtained at the Office of the Town manager. The Town reserves the right to reject any or all bids or any parts thereof deemed not to be in the best interest of the Town of Wilmington.

Michael A. Cajra
N27;3074 Town Manager

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2002, at 7:45 p.m. on the application of Seto Restaurant, Inc. d/b/a Jade East Restaurant by Tom Seto, Manager, for permission to transfer all alcoholic beverage restaurant license on premises located at 433 Main Street from Trainor's Restaurant, Inc. d/b/a Jade East Restaurant, Tom Seto, Manager to be exercised on the same premises including an entertainment license for television and radio.

Input is welcome from the public and should be submitted, in writing, to the Office of the Board of Selectmen, Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, on or before noontime Friday, December 6, 2002.

Kevin Anderson,
Chairman
N27;3082 Board of Selectmen

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public hearing will be held in Town Hall Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, December 4, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Notice of Intent, filed by Ralph E. Newhouse, 299 Main Street, MA 01887, applicant, Diesel II Norminee Trust, 299 Main Street, owner. The applicant is proposing to raze the existing dwelling and construct a single family dwelling and driveway within the 100 foot buffer zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands, as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. Property is located on Assessor's Map 17 Parcel 14, 126 Burlington Avenue, Wilmington, MA 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

James Morris, Chair
N27;3079 Conservation Commission

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY
COURT DEPARTMENT
MIDDLESEX Division
Docket No. 02P5310AD1

In the Estate of **Mary M. Grillo** Late of **Tewksbury** in the County of **Middlesex.** Date of Death October 16, 2002.

NOTICE OF PETITION
FOR APPOINTMENT
OF ADMINISTRATRIX

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that **Lisa M. Sweeney of Arlington** in the County of **Middlesex** be appointed administratrix of said estate to serve with surety.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at Cambridge on or before ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 AM) on **December 9, 2002.**

WITNESS, HON, Beverly Weinger Boorstein, ESQUIRE, Acting First Justice of said Court at Cambridge this day, November 15, 2002.

John R. Buonomo
N27;3078 Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE
MORTGAGEE'S SALE
OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by **Michael J. Freitas and Jayne E. Creighton aka Jayne E. Freitas to Option One Mortgage Corporation,** dated September 5, 2001, and recorded with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 12090, Page 85 of which mortgage **Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee for registered Holders of Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2001-D, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2001-D, without recourse** is the present holder by assignment, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 52 Agostino Drive, Wilmington, Massachusetts will be sold at a Public Auction at 10:00 A.M. on December 16, 2002, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, being shown as Lot 4 on plan entitled "Plan of Land in Wilmington, Mass. Owned by Augustine Paolini et al, dated September 10, 1973. Robert E. Anderson, Inc., Reg. Professional Engineer, Reg. Land Surveyor, North Reading, Mass. Recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 118, Plan 67, and further bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHWESTERLY: by Agostino Drive, 245.95 feet;

NORTHWESTERLY: by land now or formerly of Frank L. Hoyt, as shown on said plan, 65.09 feet;

NORTHEASTERLY: by said land now or formerly of Hoyt, as shown on said plan, in two measurements, 53.10 feet and 125.00 feet, respectively;

NORTHWESTERLY: again, by said land now or formerly of Hoyt, as shown on said plan, 34.21 feet;

NORTHEASTERLY: again, by part of Lot 3, as shown on said plan, 67.33 feet; and

SOUTHEASTERLY: by part of said Lot 3, as shown on said plan, 119.92 feet.

Said Parcel containing 23,549 square feet of land according to said plan.

Subject to easements and restrictions of record, if any there be, insofar as the same are now in force and applicable.

Together with the right to use the streets and ways shown on said plan for all purposes for which streets and ways are used in the Town of Wilmington.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions for record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of Sale: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of $5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable in cash or current funds in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, LLP, 201 Chelmsford Street, Chelmsford, MA 01824-2307, c/o Sanjit S. Korde or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota N.A. as Trustee for registered Holders of Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2001-D, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2001-D, without recourse, present holder of said mortgage,
by its attorney
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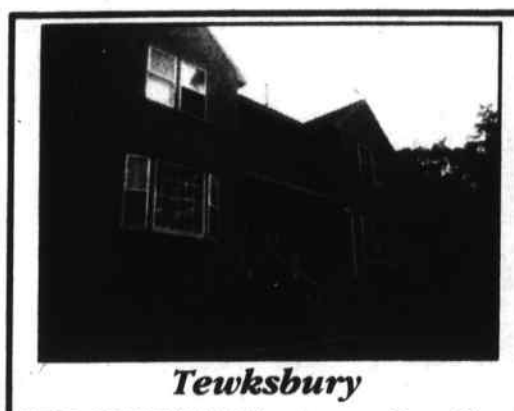
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Tewksbury

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Tewksbury

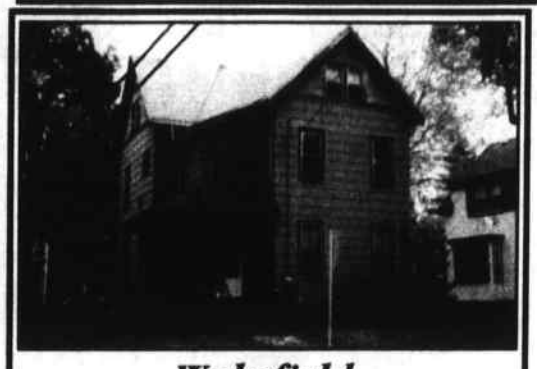
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Tewksbury

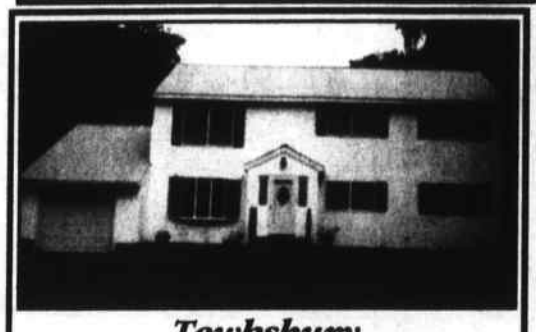
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Tewksbury

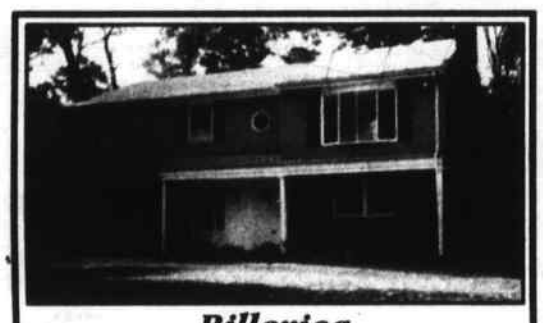
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Tewksbury

PRIDE INSIDE & OUT! 5 rm Ranch w/2 bdrms! Updated walls, windows, plumbing and electrical in 2000, new kit. w/vaulted ceiling, hrdwd flrs in LR & fam. rm., new gas furnace, 3-season porch, wrap-around deck & screen house. **$276,000**



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Tewksbury

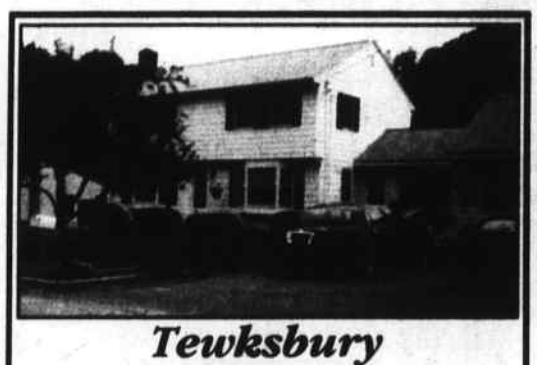
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Tewksbury

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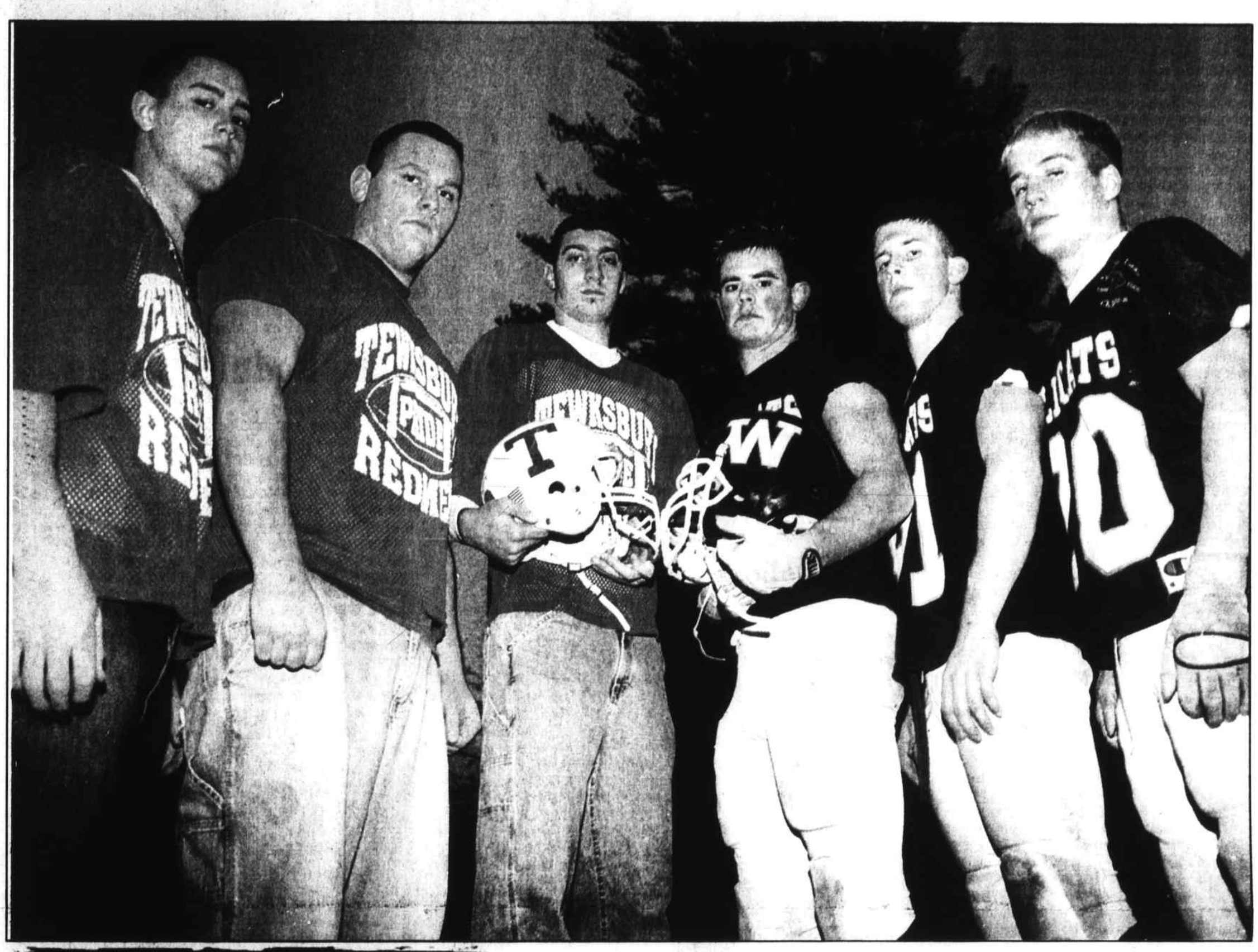


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ON THE COVER

"The Captains"

From Left to Right:
(Tewksbury)
Steve Kasprzak, Ryan Bryne, and Mike Rocco
(Wilmington)
Dereck Downs, Mike Harrison, and Derek Hanley

- Photo by Jessica Stygles

Tewksbury travels to Wilmington in 68th annual battle

Once again Redmen come in as the favorite

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

It seems as if they come into the Thanksgiving game each year as the favorite. Tewksbury is usually bigger, has more depth, plays a much tougher schedule and seems to have a very good offensive line. This year seems no different.

Wilmington head coach Bob Almeida said that his team is the underdogs. He said his team has to play its best game all season for the 'Cats to win. He hopes his team can be in it at halftime before having a chance to pull it out late in the game.

Brian Aylward on the other hand doesn't think it's all that easy for his team to just show up at Alumni Field on Thursday at 10:00 am and win the 68th battle between these two teams. He has been around this game too long and especially knows the ins-and-outs of this tradition. He knows his team is very talented as they come in with a 7-3 record. He also knows that

Wilmington isn't just a roll over seven win team from the Cape Ann League. And if his team believes that, they could be in for a long morning.

"There's not one area that overly concerns us in particular but they're a good team who will hurt us if we don't come ready to play," said Aylward. "In all aspects of the game they are good. They do well on special teams and they are just very well balanced. We have to come out very aggressive right from the start."

The Redmen did that this season. They started off 5-0, but finished up 2-3 in their last five games including losses to Chelmsford, Central Catholic and Lowell. That said this has been a very successful season, since the team was 4-7 a year ago. Quarterback Mike Rocco has emerged to have a great second half — 47-for-91, 432 yards and 6 touchdowns as opposed to 25-for-57, 515 yards and 3 TDs — while running back Steve Kasprzak (1,318 yards rushing and 16 touchdowns) should be serious consideration for the league's MVP.

Doug Heald has emerged as an impressive wide out. Ryan Bryne and Mike Terrio are very solid two-way linemen, and Bill Fabiano has had a tremendous season as a linebacker. And that's just some of the names who have had major impacts into this season.

Two years ago Tewksbury had a successful season but were totally outplayed at WHS, losing 21-8. Bryne for one doesn't want a repeat performance.

"I remember my sophomore year watching my brother (Jack) and the rest of the seniors with what that loss meant to them," he said. "Wilmington just played really hard and there were some mismatches. Some of those players just didn't have their best games. We know that we have to be ready and we have to prove that."

Aylward always says that this game is memories of a lifetime for the seniors who play in it on both sides. He has long memories of when he played in it, and certainly has memories of coaching in it. But before the kick-off on Thursday, this season has been a tremendous one for Aylward and his staff — perhaps one of if not the best. Sure Kasprzak has carried a large load of the success, but so many plavers have emerged in the second nalf against the better teams. They don't think they are done yet.

"At the beginning of the year I don't think the offense was complete as a unit," said Rocco. "As the season went along, especially the last half, we really started to click offensively - all of us. I think we have great balance and we're working as a team."

Going into Thanksgiving morning, it was unsure just how healthy Kasprzak would be to play. He banged up his knee and probably will have it scoped after the season. This season he has scored 19 touchdowns, rushed for 1,318 yards and has 201 receiving yards. In the past two years he has scored 28 times and has 2,247 total yards of offense. If he is ready to go and takes 25 carries, it's going to take a lot for the 'Cats defense to stop him. In ten games this season, he has rushed for over 98 yards in all but one game.

Rocco has tossed 5 touchdowns in the last two combined games, and only has two interceptions in his last 91 throws. He is just under 1,000 yards, which says a lot since he had just 309 through the first four games, against lesser opponents. He didn't get a chance to play in last year's game, and the season before was his third game as a starter and Wilmington shut down the passing game on all facets. Certainly Rocco wants to go out with a bang.

"I just want to win," he said. "If we were undefeated and I had no touchdown passes I wouldn't care one bit. If I had 100 touchdown passes and we had no wins, I wouldn't be too happy. We're 7-3 and we've had a great season. I'm very happy with it. But we want to finish 8-3."

In order for Kasprzak and Rocco to do their things, the offensive line has to the dirty work which they have done all season long. Bryne and Terrio lead the way as the team's two guards, and senior Mike Blaisdell (6-0, 245) and junior Alex Marcin (6-4, 290) are the tackles. Senior Steve McKenna (6-1, 230) is the center, while Terrio will see time there with Chris Bryne (6-3, 205) filling in at left guard. Bill Mulvanity has done a nice job at tight end with over 300 receiving yards, while, Heald lines up on the other side as a wide out.

Ryan Casey has done a solid job at fullback and he fills in with 40 yards a game as a nice compliment to Kasprzak. Matt Spatola and Fabiano will split time at the other half back spot.

"Kasprzak knows how to follow his blocks," said Ryan Bryne. "He also knows to give respect to his line. He's good for the system. I remember one time we all blocked to our right and he cut back all the way going to his left. He'll create stuff as long as the line keeps hustling and we plan on doing that."

If Tewksbury's offense does its job, it could create lots of problems for Wilmington. Not only is the 'Cats defense missing some parts to it with injuries, but many of its defensive players play on the other side of the ball. If the Redmen offense puts up long drives, those 11 Wildcat players could be extremely tired when it comes to creating holes for its backfield of Derek Hanley and Shawn Godding, who have close to 2,000 rushing yards between them.

Aylward knows that the 'Cats offense can certainly put up points in a hurry.

"I think they can be explosive," he said. "Their line is strong. They might not be huge but they are strong and can be explosive off the ball. Their halfbacks are good players. Hanley is tough - he reminds me a lot of Kasprzak. He always keeps his legs coming. Godding is going to be horse. He's a big strong kid. [Mike] Harrison is a good player. He blocks well as a tight end and makes some catches.

"Defensively they are very similar and balanced. They are good with a five or a four man front. [Dave] DeMango, [Dereck] Downs and [Derek] Trueira, oh God I can't wait for some of those names to go away. They have some very good players."

Tewksbury's defense will have their hands full because Wilmington's offense can be very effective with the likes of freshman quarterback Joe Herra, running backs Hanley and Godding, and Harrison at tight end. Defensively up front Tewksbury will have Bryan Haberman and Chris Byrne as the two defensive ends and the combination of Joe Davidian, Blaisdell and Terrio as the tackles. Ryan Bryne and Fabiano are the two linebackers, with John Sarsfield, Tony Corsino, Jim Hamilton and Rocco will be in the backfield, while Kasprzak will see time at linebacker and cornerback.

No matter the names on the jerseys, the field the game is at, or the coaches on the sidelines, the game will boil down to execution on all sides of the ball, ball control, as well as which team limits their turnovers and penalties. Either way win or lose, it should be a lot of fun.

"In some ways the tradition for me is more intense than it was when I played and in some other ways it's a little different," said Aylward. "Once you get into these two weeks it's an overwhelming feeling about the tradition. It's about all of the people who have gone through it the past - not just the games I've played in and the games I've coached it's about all of the people who have gone through it.

"I grew up watching this through the good and bad times. You want and you try to make it a good memory. Some of the seniors get flooded when they come to the realization that they will never put on the pads again after this game. It's an overwhelming feeling. It's exciting and it's the single biggest event in both communities where so many people come together for one event."

Once again this year is no dif-

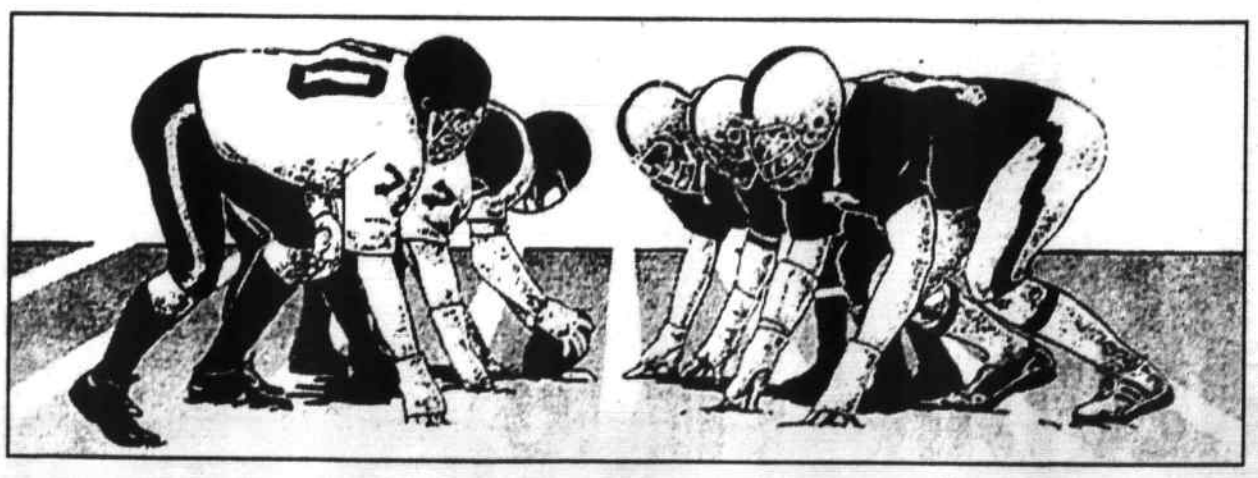


BRIAN AYLWARD WILL PARTICIPATE IN HIS 6TH THANKSGIVING GAME as a head coach for Tewksbury come Thursday morning when his Redmen travel to Wilmington. Aylward also played in the game when he went to TMHS in the mid 80s. (photo by Jessica Stygles).

2002 Tewksbury Redmen roster

No.	Player	Postions	Ht/Wt	Year
1.	Brian Lowe	TE/LB	5'11" 170	Jr.
2.	Ryan Casey	FB/LB	5'7" 170	Jr.
3.	John Sarsfield	WR/DB	5'9" 170	Sr.
4.	Jim Hamilton	WR/DB	5'10" 160	Sr.
5.	Kevin Terrio	RB/LB	5'6" 150	So.
8.	Kevin Rocco**	QB/DB	6'4" 200	Sr.
9.	Doug Heald	WR/DB	5'11" 165	So.
10.	Bryan Descoteaux	QB/DB	6' 165	Jr.
11.	Tyler Michalewich	QB/DB	5'8" 150	So.
19.	Mike Kukler	WR/DB	5'11" 160	Jr.
20.	John Flanagan	WR/DB	5'10" 150	Jr.
21.	Jeff Macinanti	RB/DB	5'8" 140	Jr.
22.	Gregg DeGiso	FB/LB	5'10" 190	Jr.
23.	John Peterson	WR/DB	5'6" 130	Sr.
24.	Mike Bourgeois	RB/DB	5'6" 155	Jr.
25.	Matt Carlson	RB/DB	5'7" 140	So.
27.	Cole Angelis	RB/DB	5'10" 140	So.
28.	Matt Spatola	RB/DB	5'7" 165	Sr.
30.	Steve Kasprzak**	RB/LB	5'11" 185	Sr.
32.	Bryan Donaghue	RB/LB	5'9" 175	Jr.
33.	Mike Collins	RB/DB	5'8" 155	Jr.
35.	Bill Fabiano	RB/LB	5'10" 175	Jr.
36.	Jim Sitar	WR/DB	5'8" 145	So.
37.	Tony Corsino	WR/DB	5'9" 160	Jr.
40.	Chris Shepard	TE/DE	5'10" 175	Sr.
41.	Mike McLaughlin	FB/LB	5'8" 155	Jr.
42.	Mike Sitar	RB/DB	5'9" 150	Sr.
43.	Kris Casey	FB/DT	5'11" 205	Sr.
50.	Mike Terrio	G/DE	5'11" 215	Sr.
51.	Aaron Russo	C/LB	5'10" 200	So.
52.	Steve Zaremba	G/DT	5'9" 175	So.
53.	Ryan Byrne**	G/LB	6'2" 250	Sr.
54.	Ryan Corson	G/LB	5'8" 165	Sr.
55.	Brian Hamilton	G/LB	5'8" 165	Jr.
56.	Paul Sheehan	T/DT	6' 220	Jr.
57.	Sean Durney	G/DE	5'11" 190	Jr.
58.	Chris Byrne	G/DE	6'3" 205	So.
59.	Ken Yandle	G/LB	5'10" 175	So.
60.	Tim Hamilton	T/DT	6' 225	Sr.
61.	Dan Bradley	T/DT	5'10" 240	So.
62.	Ben Gamlin	T/DT	6' 215	Jr.
64.	Chris LaVita	C/DT	5'11" 260	Jr.
67.	Mike Blaisdell	T/DT	6' 245	Sr.
68.	Dan Westaway	C/DT	5'11" 235	So.
70.	Steve McKenna	C/DT	6'1" 230	Sr.
72.	Joe Davidian	T/DT	6'3" 250	Jr.
74.	Dana Eguia	T/DT	6' 225	So.
76.	Nick Nawosa	T/DT	5'11" 230	So.
77.	David Gay	T/TD	6' 220	Jr.
78.	Joe Walsh	G/DE	5'11" 205	Sr.
79.	Alex Marcin	T/DT	6'4" 290	Jr.
80.	Pat Gorman	WR/DB	6'2" 180	Sr.
81.	Joe Reitano	TE/DE	6' 175	So.
84.	Greg Weiss	WR/DE	6' 175	So.
87.	Bill Mulvanity	TE/LB	6'1" 195	Jr.
88.	David Fogaren	WR/DE	5'11" 170	Sr.
89.	Bryan Haberman	TE/DE	6' 210	Sr.

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TEWKSBURY REDMEN Season Stats

Score By Quarters:

OPPONENTS	50	61	22	32	-155
TEWKSBURY	48	59	47	55	-211

Team Stats:	Opp	Tew
First Downs	125	142
Rushes-yds	329-1,587	320-1,796
Passing Att-Int	74-155-4	74-153-6
Passing yards	789	974
Total Yards	2,376	2,770

Individual Stats:

Passing — Tewksbury, Mike Rocco 72-for-148, 5 INT, 9 TDs, 942 yards; Doug Heald 1-for-1, 16 yards, 0 TDs, 0 INTs; Tyler Michalewich 1-for-3, 1 yard; Steve Kasprzak 0-for-1, 0 yards, 1 INT.

Rushing — Tewksbury, Steve Kasprzak 201-for 1,318, 16 TDs; Ryan Casey 45-235; Mike Rocco 37-84, 4 TDs; Matt Spatola 16-83; Bill Fabiano 10-57; Jim Hamilton 1-9; Bryan Donaghue 4-8; Greg DeGiso 4-2; Kevin Terrio 1-2; Bryan Descoteaux 1 - (-2).

Receiving: Tewksbury, Bill Mulvanity 12-264, TD; Steve Kasprzak 19-201, 3 TDs; Doug Heald 16-199, 2 TDs; Bill Fabiano 5-98, TD; Jim Hamilton 6-68, TD; Pat Gorman 4-48; Matt Spatola 4-33; Ryan Casey 5-28; John Sarsfield 1-18; Mike Rocco 1-16; Greg DeGiso 1-1.

Scoring: Steve Kasprzak 19 TDs, 7 PAT kicks, 121 points; Mike Rocco 4 TDs, 24 points; Matt Spatola 3 TDs, 1 conv. catch, 20 points; Doug Heald 2 TDs, 12 points; Bill Mulvanity 1 TD, 2 conv. catches, 10 points; Bill Fabiano 1 TD, 1 conv. catch, 8 points; Jim Hamilton 1 TD, 6 points; Brian Lowe 3 PAT kicks, 3 points; Tyler Michalewich 1 conv. rush, 2 points; Defense, 1 safety, 2 points;

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Wilmington needs to play error free ball

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

The last two times Tewksbury has come to the Wilmington High, the 'Cats have defeated them. In 1998, the 'Cats scored a late touchdown to win, 14-7. And in 2000, the 'Cats totally outplayed the talented Redmen squad and came out victorious, 21-8.

The key to those two victories was the strong play of the entire 'Cats defense. On Thursday, Tewksbury makes the visit to Alumni Stadium for the 68th meeting between these two teams and if the 'Cats are going to win, they are going to have to shut down the strong offensive weapons of Tewksbury. If not it could be a long morning for the Blue and White team.

"I think we are the big underdogs," said Wilmington coach Bob Almeida, who is 2-4 in these matchups. "A lot our kids haven't played in this game. We're young. But we have to play really good football. We're not going to be intimidated, we're going to play hard for 44 minutes and we need to play our best game of the year to come away with the win. We need to take care of the ball and we can't give them anything. They need to earn everything they get."

The Redmen come into this game with a 7-3 record. After starting out 5-0, Tewksbury has gone 2-3 since, losing to three very good teams in Chelmsford, Central Catholic and Lowell. Senior quarterback Mike Rocco has tossed 947 yards in the air as well as 9 touchdown passes. Senior running back Steve Kasprzak has been nothing short of amazing with his 1,318 yards on the ground, 1,519 total yards and 19 touchdowns on the season.

Rocco has tossed 2,006 yards on his Redmen career, and Kasprzak has a combined 2,247 yards on the ground and in the air in the past two years not to mention 28 touchdowns.

On top of that, the Redmen have a very raw sophomore wideout who has been emerging as a very good threat in Doug Heald (16 catches for 199 yards playing in just 5 games), while they also have two very good offensive linemen in Ryan Bryne (6-5, 250) and Mike Terrio (5-11, 215).

"Tewksbury is big as always and perhaps bigger this year," said Almeida. "Their offensive line is very big. Rocco will be the best quarterback we've faced all season. He's tall, he has a strong arm, he has a good touch for the deep stuff and he's mobile. Kasprzak is the complete back. He's elusive, he's very touch, he catches the ball well and they line him up in a million spots.

"[Heald] has good hands and he gets open, and [Jim Hamilton] can also be dangerous. We're concerned, they have some weapons on offense."

On the flip side of that, the 'Cats come in with the same 7-3 record. But they will be without 6 starters including senior lineman Phil O'Brien and junior two-way stud Dave DeMango. Senior running back Derek Hanley is pretty banged up and it's not known if he's going to be able to play. Take away his 1,206 rushing yards and his 1,523 total yards of offense and 17 touchdowns and the 'Cats offense is missing a huge piece of the puzzle.

Freshman quarterback Joe Herra has had a sensational year with 796 yards in the air, 6 TD passes and 6 rushing touchdowns, while junior back Shawn Godding has really come on lately with his 698 yards on the ground.

"We've been able to move the ball all season against some very good teams," said Almeida. "We're averaging 25 points a game and we're hoping we can score two or three touchdowns in be in the game. We want to be in it at halftime and have a chance in the second half."

Wilmington's chances to win this game increase if its defense can hold Tewksbury to as many three-and-out series as possible. The 'Cats play a five man front. Defensive ends Matt Dorothy (5-10, 185) and Shawn Godding will be looked to give Rocco all kinds of pressure. If he sits back in the pocket, he could light up the 'Cats all day long. Charlie Lojek (6-0, 225), Brian Gillespie (6-1, 200) and Bobby Harrington (5-11, 210) are the other three linemen.

Dave Paris (5-9, 165) and Dereck Downs (6-0, 205) bring little experience to the linebacker's spot as they have been moved around because of all of the injuries. Hanley is as good as they get as a cornerback, while Herra, Derek Trueira and Harrison join his side for the defensive backs.

For the 'Cats their confidence should be pretty high on the defensive end. They are coming off a shut out which they caused four fumbles in the 27-0 win over Newburyport. The defense has been a bend not break mold for most of the season, except perhaps in one game against North Andover. Besides that the 11-man unit has been pretty consistent. The team has given up 129 points this season. Only twice have they given up more than two touchdowns in a game. But Tewksbury will not be Newburyport, thus the team's defensive play has to be turned up several notches in order for the 'Cats offense to do their thing.

"Their offensive line causes problems for teams," said Almeida. "Straight away they are very powerful. They are big and right now they have a mismatch about 40-to-50 pounds on us. Our defensive front has done a good job all season. I'm confident they can hold their own."

On the other side of the ball, Wilmington can be very effective. If Hanley is ready to go, the team has three outstanding weapons on the offensive side of the ball. Herra started off on fire with 5 touchdown passes and no interceptions in the team's first four games. In the last six his stats are slowed down because the team has lost several receivers due to injuries, while his rushing attempts have been down to just 5 in the past two combined games, as opposed to 25 in the first three.

Still he puts up great passes (many which have been dropped) and he could be the best passer Wilmington has had on the run in over a decade. He has a terrific arm and has shown that he can throw the deep ball with the best of them.

Hanley is also the real deal. He has speed, he has toughness and he has the ability to make the necessary cut moves. He has gained over 1,200 yards this season but only has taken 20 on more carries twice this season. Godding is also a weapon, the problem is with so many people to run the ball early on it was hard for him to get in a rhythm with 12 carries per game. He has come on of late with 251 of his 698 yards in the last three games. He's more of a powerful straight ahead runner, as oppose to Hanley who cuts and jolts everywhere.

Mike Harrison has become a solid receiver for Hanley. He has caught 5 TD passes and has 301 yards on 14 catches. He'll be a target to grab a few passes, while, Derek Trueira and Dereck Downs should also be looked to have a few catches. Hanley has caught the most passes with 19 for 314 yards.

If Wilmington is going to put some points on the board, they need to create space for the backs. The offensive line is pretty much the same guys on the defensive end with Downs as an end, Lojek and Ken Luongo (6-1, 240) as the tackles, Gillespie and Harrington as the guards and senior Joe Cavanaugh (5-11, 245) as the center.

Defensively, Tewksbury is led by Bryne, Kasprzak and Bill Fabiano as their three linebackers.

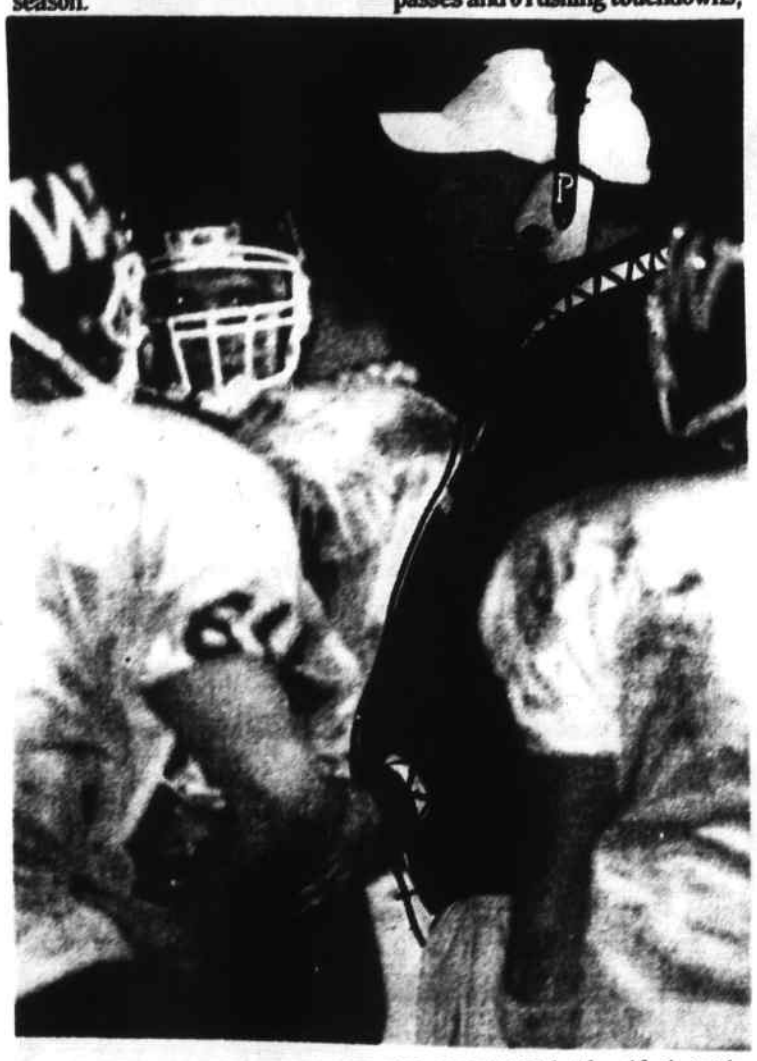
"Bryne jumps out at you defensively," said Almeida. "He's a big, physical kid. Fabiano is real good. He's very mobile and they like to send him a lot. Their two defensive ends (Bryan Haberman and Chris Bryne) are outstanding and they make sure nothing gets behind Rocco (as the strong safety). They are a good Tewksbury team - they certainly rank up with there with some of their other good teams."

Back in 2000, Tewksbury assembled a very good team. They visited Wilmington and the 'Cats played extremely well on all facets of the ball holding their great offensive attack to minimal yards, while its offense did the job behind backs Bob French and Mark Jepson and quarterback Josh Hiltz. Almeida knows his team needs to concentrate all 44 minutes in order for the 'Cats to make it three straight victories at home against the Redmen.

"This is the seventh one of these for me and the rest of the coaches," said Almeida. "We know it's a big thing. During the season you focus just on your league play and now that it's over all you think about is Tewksbury. You have a ten day period to prepare for them and that's all you get. They are a very difficult team to prepare for because of all of their formations. It's hard to figure out everything they have done over the last 6 years so you can't cover everything. And even if you do, the kids will never remember. It's exciting.

"For the seniors it's their least game and for the underclassmen it's a chance for them to play in front of 7,000 people. You have to prepare the team as best as you can. This is a great tradition and a great rivalry and I think it's one of the better ones in all of Eastern Mass. We're hoping it continues forever."

And he's hoping his win streak at home can extend to three straight.



WILMINGTON HIGH FOOTBALL COACH Bob Almeida is 2-4 in the Thanksgiving series. (photo by Jessica Stygles).



SENIORS' LAST GAME! The Wilmington High senior football players will be playing in their last game on Thursday. Pictured here back row from left are: Matt Dorothy, Brian Gillespie, Phil O'Brien and Joe Cavanaugh. Front row from left: Derek Hanley, Mike Harrison and Dereck Downs. (photo by Jessica Stygles).

2002 Wildcat Football roster

No.	Player	Year	Positons	Ht/Wt
1.	Stephen Downs	Fr.	RB/LB	5'9" 160
3.	Joe Downs	Jr.	QB/DB	5'9" 165
7.	Joe Herra	Fr.	QB/DB	5'8" 165
10.	Rob Gillis	So.	RB/DB	5'9" 185
11.	Louis Insalaco	So.	QB/DB	5'8" 150
16.	Derek Trueira	Jr.	RB/DB	5'10" 160
17.	Jay Ciulla	Jr.	RB/DB	5'10" 160
20.*	Derek Hanley	Sr.	RB/DB	5'8" 165
21.	Brian Giamberardino	So.	OL/LB	5'8" 150
22.	Jared Miller	Jr.	TE/DB	5'10" 150
23.	Victor DelIsola	So.	RB/DB	5'7" 140
25.	Kurt Steenbruggen	Jr.	RB/DB	5'11" 160
28.	Peter Wayshville	Jr.	RB/DB	5'9" 150
31.	Sean Godding	Jr.	RB/LB	5'11" 185
33.	Joe Mayo	So.	RB/DB	5'10" 160
40.	Brennan Jones	So.	TE/DE	6'1" 165
42.	Dave DeMango	Jr.	RB/LB	6' 195
44.	Matt Dorothy	Sr.	RB/DE	5'11" 200
50.	Bill Sinopoli	Sr.	OL/DL	6' 200
51.	Mike Welch	So.	OL/LB	5'8" 150
52.	Bob Harrington	Jr.	OL/DE	6' 200
53.	Joe Costello	Jr.	OL/DB	6' 165
55.	Joe Cavanaugh	Sr.	OL/DL	5'11" 240
56.	Dave Paris	Jr.	OL/LB	5'9" 170
57.	Corey Wayshville	So.	OL/DB	5'9" 160
58.	Matthew Cox	Jr.	OL/DL	6'2" 200
63.	Mike Thibault	So.	OL/DL	6' 180
65.	Brian Gillespie	Sr.	OL/DE	6' 205
66.	Byrant Buck	So.	OL/DL	6' 190
67.	Phil O'Brien	Sr.	OL/DL	5'11" 230
68.	Charles Lojek	Jr.	OL/DL	5'11" 210
70.	Colin Murphy	Jr.	NG/OL	5'9" 200
74.	Ken Luongo	Jr.	OL/DL	6'1" 240
76	Dan Farrell	So.	OL/DL	5'9" 240
80	Dan Hurley	Jr.	TE/DE	6'6" 170
81*	Mike Harrison	Sr.	TE/DB	5'10" 165
83	Matt Furlong	So.	TE/DB	5'8" 140
85	Ryan Quigley	So.	TE/DL	6'4" 200
88*	Dereck Downs	Sr.	TE/DL	6' 200

Varsity Coach: Robert Almeida
Assistant Coaches: Michael Barry, Bob Gillis, Carl Stauffer, Patrick Finn, Rich DeLucia
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#2
Casey, Ryan
Ht. 5'7" Wt. 170



Tail Back
#30
Kasprzak, Steve
Ht. 5'11" Wt. 185



Half Back
#28
Spatola, Matt
Ht. 5'7" Wt. 165



Quarterback
#8
Rocco, Mike
Ht. 6'4" Wt. 200



Wide Receiver
#9
Heald, Doug
Ht. 5'11" Wt. 165



Tight End
#87
Mulvanity, Bill
Ht. 6'1" Wt. 195



Left Guard
#50
Terrio, Mike
Ht. 5'11" Wt. 215



Left Tackle
#67
Blaisdell, Mike
Ht. 6'0" Wt. 245



Center
#70
McKenna, Steve
Ht. 6'1" Wt. 230



Right Guard
#53
Byrne, Ryan
Ht. 6'2" Wt. 250



Right Tackle
#79
Marcin, Alex
Ht. 6'4" Wt. 290

DEFENSE



Free Safety
#4
Hamilton, Jim
Ht. 5'10" Wt. 160



Strong Safety
#37
Corsino, Tony
Ht. 5'9" Wt. 160



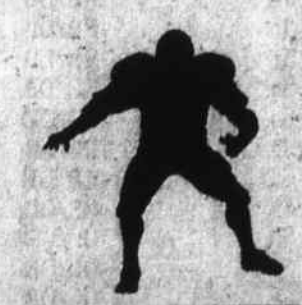
Corner Back
#30
Kasprzak, Steve
Ht. 5'11" Wt. 185



Corner Back
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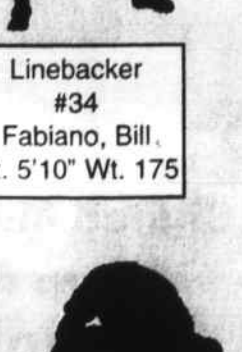
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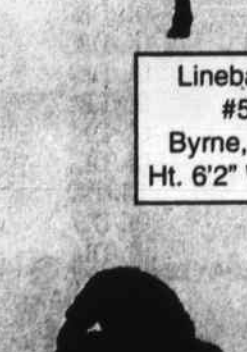
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Terrio, Mike
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Right Tackle
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Defensive End
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OFFENSE



Wing back
#16
Trueira, Derek
Ht. 5'10" Wt. 160



Quarterback
#7
Herra, Joe
Ht. 5'8" Wt. 165



Running Back
#31
Godding, Shawn
Ht. 5'11" Wt. 185



Running back
#20
Hanley, Derek
Ht. 5'8" Wt. 165



Left End
#88
Downs, Dereck
Ht. 6'0" Wt. 200



Left Tackle
#68
Lojek, Charlie
Ht. 5'11" Wt. 210



Left Guard
#65
Gillespie, Brian
Ht. 6'0" Wt. 205



Center
#55
Cavanaugh, Joe
Ht. 5'11" Wt. 240



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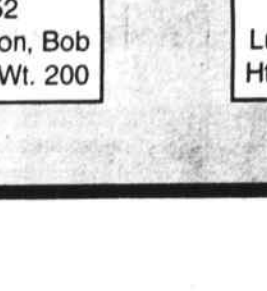


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DEFENSE



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Corner Back
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Dorothy, Matt
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Quarterbacks Mike Rocco and Joe Herra square off

Different styles, but two good signal-callers

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Last year at this time, Tewksbury's Mike Rocco was on the sidelines watching his fellow teammates take on Wilmington. Rocco was injured and he couldn't participate in the annual traditional game.

In the stands was eighth grader Joe Herra, who watched his brother Mike play quarterback for the Wilmington Wildcats in their 28-3 loss to their neighboring rivals.

A year later, the two of them will now participate in the game they watched so vividly last year. Rocco comes in playing his last game as a member of the Redmen. The 6-4, 200 pound signal caller has had a solid season. He struggled a bit early on, but has really emerged in the last few games. Herra, on the other hand, is a freshman. Although he looks like a freshman standing at 5-7 and weighing 155 pounds, Herra certainly doesn't play like a ninth grader. He has had a phenomenal rookie season for the 'Cats.

The two of them have drastically different styles, however they will both be big figures in the game on Thursday. Rocco, an outstanding three-sport athlete, is a pocket passer who looks down field to many receivers for 20 or 30 yard gains usually. This season he has completed 72 of his 148 attempts for 947 yards with 9 touchdown passes and 5 interceptions. In his career he has completed 162 of 308 passes for 2,0006 yards, 23 TDs and 12 interceptions — and that came in about 18 games because he missed most of last year with his injuries.

Herra has only played in 10 varsity games. He has completed 42 of his 88 passes for 796 yards with 6 touchdowns and only three interceptions. His style is very unique. He is extremely mobile with an additional 240 rushing yards and 7 scores. He can roll out and throw on the run with the best of them. He can also be a pocket passer and throw a beautiful spiral down field.

"He's good," said Rocco of Herra. "Any kid who is a freshman no matter what team or no matter from where and is the starting quarterback is good. I really haven't seen him pass a lot but I know he has 6 or 7 touchdown passes and that's good. His numbers are great, especially for a freshman."

Herra's first game against Hamilton-Wenham was probably his best. In the 25-13 win he completed 4-of-7 passes for 126 yards. He also rushed the ball 12 times for 51 yards and scored a pair of touchdowns. He has five games of throwing 100 yards or more — four of them victories over Hamilton-Wenham, Bedford, Triton and most recently Newburyport.

In those four games the 'Cats have outscored the opponents 117-42, while his numbers are fantastic. He completed 21-of-38 passes for 454 yards with 3 touchdown passes and one pick. He also scored three rushing touchdowns in those four games. The one time he tossed 100 yards and lost was against Pentucket, and he was 5-for-7 in that game and rushed an additional 45 yards. Perhaps the numbers speak for themselves.

"Herra's going to give us fits for four years," said TMHS coach Brian Aylward. "He's a gamer. He's very mature for a young kid. He's experienced now. I don't think Rocco has many more games than he does because of his injuries and playing only a few games as a sophomore. They are two totally different types of quarterbacks. Rocco is more of a drop back player and we've added some running to his game. Herra is a kid who can be a threat on the sneak, the drop back pass, the sweep or the long pass. They use him as a fourth back."

Herra would certainly have even better numbers had so many of his pass attempts not been dropped like they were against Bedford and North Andover in particular.

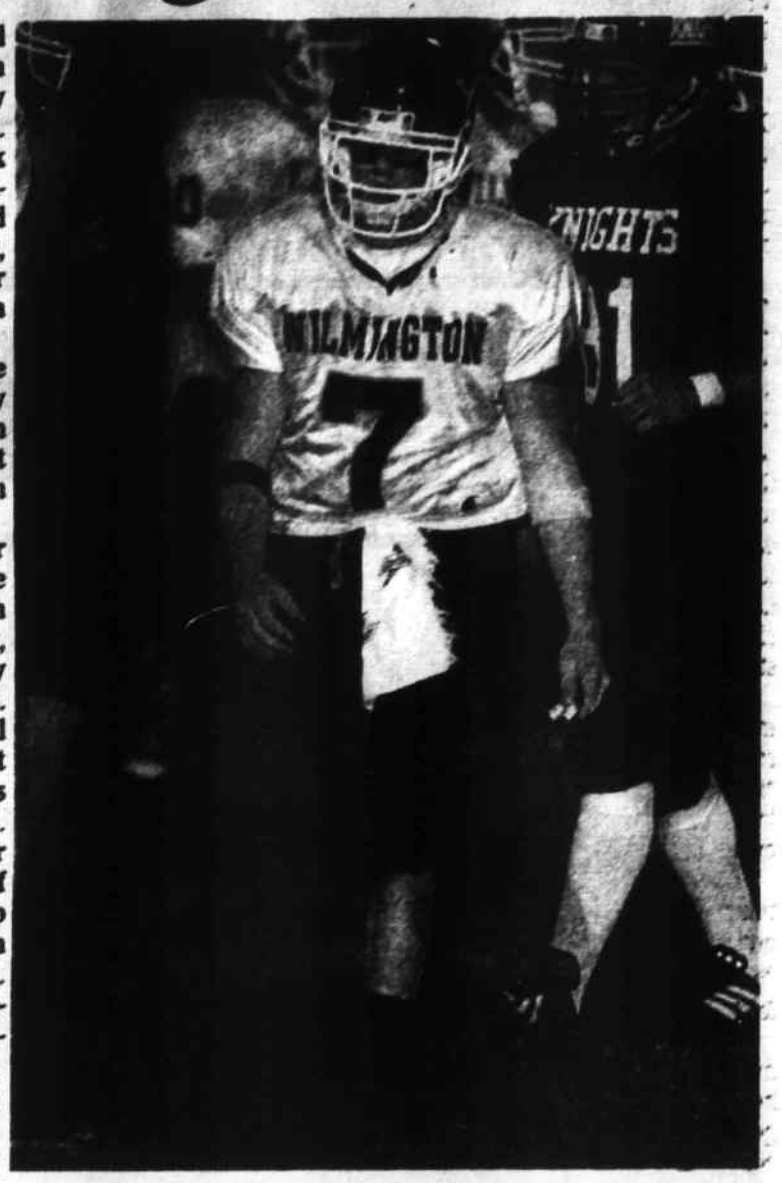
"We don't care what the other team has for a quarterback, we love our own," said WHS coach Bob Almeida. "Rocco is taller, older, more experience and is very good there's no doubt about that. He'll be the best quarterback we'll face all season. I just wouldn't trade my guy for anyone. Mike's had a number of dropped passes. He's made plays that no one other kid has made. He creates things. If there's a play and we missed two blocks, he'll create something with two guys coming right on him. He's a headache for people to prepare for. He's made us more dimensional - I think he has made other teams respect our passing game."

Rocco has always had the respect. Colleges are looking at him for all three of his sports. He has a great arm and can really make things happen. The last few years he's had a tremendous receiver and this year it took a while for one to emerge as Doug Heald is healthy and makes a habit of making some great catches. In the last three games, Rocco has been very good completing 33 of 62 passes for 394 yards, 5 touchdowns and 1 interception.

"At the beginning of the year I don't think the offense was complete as a unit," said Rocco. "As the season went along, especially the last half, we really started to click offensively - all of us. I think we have great balance and we're working as a team."

No matter what kinds of numbers Rocco ends up in this game, he doesn't care. All he wants is two letters: A "W" for "win" and a "T" for "Tewksbury".

"I just want to win," he said. "If we were undefeated and I had no touchdown passes I wouldn't care one bit. If I had 100 touchdown passes and we had no wins, I wouldn't be too happy. We're 7-3 and we've had a great season. I'm very happy with it. But we want to finish 8-3."



WILMINGTON HIGH FRESHMAN MIKE HERRA may look like a ninth grader but certainly doesn't play like one. He's hoping his good fortunes continue on Thursday in the season finale against Tewksbury. (photo by Jessica Stygles).



TEWKSBURY HIGH SENIOR QUARTERBACK MIKE ROCCO will be playing in his last game for the Redmen on Thursday's annual Thanksgiving game classic after an impressive career. (photo by Jessica Stygles).

Running backs exchange friendly competition

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

They both have many of the same traits and qualities. Both Steve Kasprzak of Tewksbury and Derek Hanley of Wilmington are very talented running backs.

They both are huge reasons for their team's being 7-3. They both have similar styles in running, similar statistics and certainly have the same characteristics on the field. They never go down without a huge fight, they are both extremely tough runners who never stop their feet from going forward, and they both can bold people over and cut and slant with the best of them to manage big gains.

Besides football, both of them wrestle. Hanley was a Division 3 state champion this past year and came moments away from being an all-state champion. Kasprzak might not have had that success as a junior but you can bet he'll be up there as a senior.

Off the field the two of them are friendly. They know each other, they chat and get along. Their fathers grew up together and are friends. Stephen Kasprzak was a nose guard for the 1981 Tewksbury team which lost in the Super Bowl to Winthrop. Dave Hanley was a running back/wide receiver for the Redmen as well pretty much during the same time.

And both Steve and Derek are team players, are great athletes and both have come along way in their young life. Both of them will also be suiting up for their last times for their respective teams. But both of them are also banged up and not sure if and how much they are going to play come Thursday morning.

Both of them are going to make sure they do because after all they know it's the last time they will be wearing their respective colors and putting on the pads during their high school careers.

Kasprzak comes into the game as a member of the 7-3 Tewksbury Redmen. He has carried the ball 201 times for 1,318 yards and has scored 16 rushing touchdowns. He also has caught 19 passes for 301 yards for an additional 201 yards. Kasprzak has scored at least one touchdown in all but one game, while he once scored five and rushed for 250 yards against Andover.

He also does the punting, extra points and plays defense whether it be linebacker or cornerback. Hanley comes into the game as a member of the 7-3 Wildcats. He has carried the ball just 160 times for 1,189 yards and has scored 16 touchdowns. He also has caught 19 passes for 317 yards with one touchdown. On top of that he has tossed a 33-yard TD pass to Robbie Gillis, has scored on seven two-point conversion and has several interceptions from his cornerback position.

Kasprzak also comes into the game with a banged up knee which will probably be scoped after the season to repair some loose cartilage. Hanley comes in with a possible stress fracture in his leg. Both of them said they will play and that's not a surprise to anyone.

"Derek's tough," said Kasprzak. "He's not the biggest guy but I know from wrestling how hard he works. In football it's going to take more than one person to take him down."

Hanley takes an average of 16 carries per game compared to the 20 Kasprzak (5-11, 185) takes. Hanley is smaller at 5-7, 155 but he certainly makes the most of it. He has exceptional speed, can cut and slant and can certainly burn you on the outside.

"I think Derek and Steve are very similar," said TMHS coach Brian Aylward. "Hanley is as tough as they come. He always keeps his legs coming. Both he and Kas have the same ways of finishing runs. They both have explosive bursts of speed.

"Both of them are dinged up because the way they are used. They both play a huge role in their offense. They are both work horses and they are the type of kids who can handle that. The more I watch Derek between football and wrestling the more I realize how tough he is."

Kasprzak comes into the game with exceptional numbers as a junior and a senior. He has 2,247 yards between rushing and receiving as well as 28 touchdowns. He gets an average of 6.6 yards per carry this season and he has earned every single one of those yards.

"Both of them run with power and speed," said WHS coach Bob Almeida. "They are determined to never get stopped, or go backwards.

"We can't just focus on Kasprzak. He's definitely the biggest piece of the puzzle but Tewksbury can beat you down the field in other ways. But we have to make sure we are always aware of him on the field."

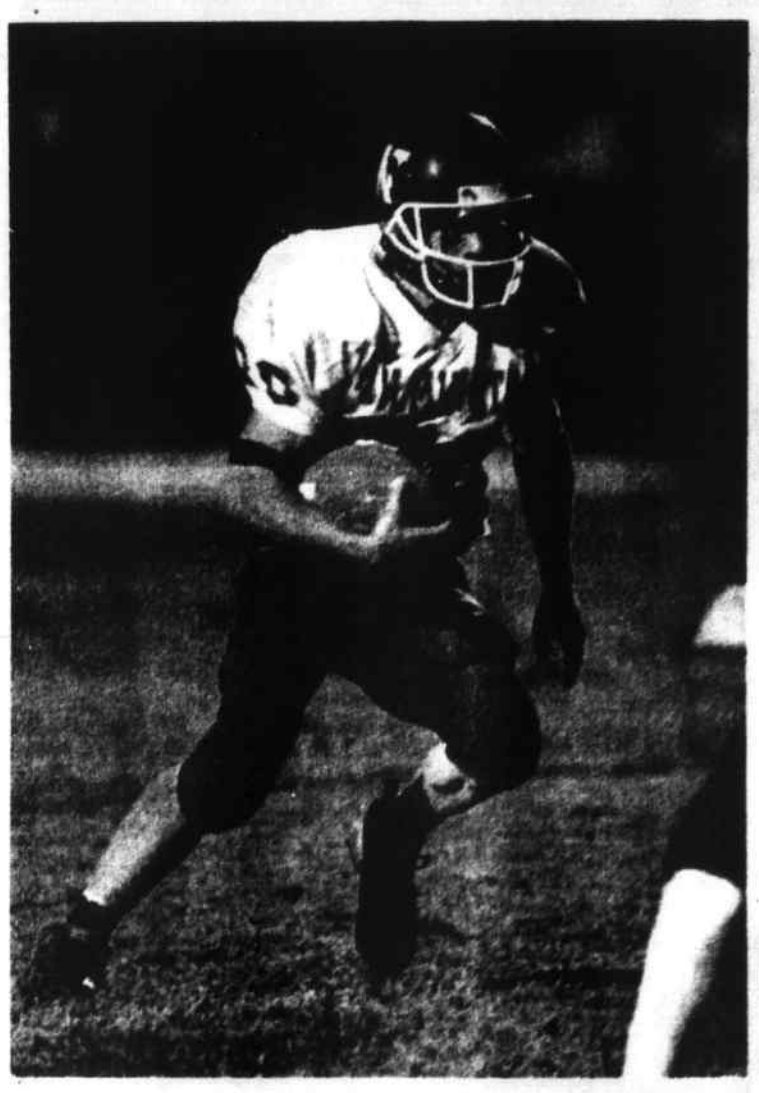
Hanley and Kasprzak both know that off the field they are friends. On the field it's all about competition.

"He's real good, he runs really hard," said Hanley of Kasprzak. "He's bigger than me but I think he's stoppable. A lot of it [will be determined] by the [defensive] line and our middle linebackers have to make their reads."

Kasprzak said he has some unfinished business in this last game.

"Derek's a better wrestler than me, so I have to win this battle," he said.

In either case, whoever does win, we all know that the two of them will give everything they have and leave everything on the field. They have done that each and everytime out. Just this time this battle means more, and it will also be the last one.



WILMINGTON HIGH SENIOR RUNNING BACK Derek Hanley will be looking to close out his great career on a bang on Thursday's final home game. (file photo).



TEWKSBURY HIGH SENIOR RUNNING BACK STEVE KASPRZAK will look to improve on his tremendous numbers in his final high school football game on Thursday. (photo by Jessica Stygles).

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A special day for the Harrison household

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

Thanksgiving Day football is big in many households across Massachusetts and in fact all through the United States. The tradition of playing your arch rival before the family gathers at Grandma's house for the turkey with all the fixings has been around as long as most people can remember and has secured a place in the hearts of millions.

But you would be hard pressed to find a family who looks more forward to Thanksgiving football than the Harrisons of Wilmington. Ed, a former coach and player for the Wildcats, and his son Mike, a senior tight end and captain for this year's Wildcats, look forward to the day as an opportunity to not only hopefully triumph over cross-town rival Tewksbury, but also in hopes of building even more memories to what has already been a storied past.

"It is a very special game for me and my dad, more so than the rest of the family," Mike said. "My dad has been through it for a lot of years and I am getting to experience it."

As for Ed, who has been part of this rivalry now as a player, coach and parent the game still has just as much meaning as it always did for him.

"For me it still mean just as much," Ed said. "And my son knows what it means because he got to be a part of it while I was coaching, so he had an understanding of it at a young age."

Ed was a member of the Wildcats coaching staff for 19 seasons, 11 of which he served as head coach, up until 1993. So he has seen his share of great turkey day football between Wilmington and Tewksbury. To understand just how big this game is to Ed and to so many others, you need only to listen to his vivid memories of games from years past.

"The one I remember most was the 1983 game with Dean Athanasia when we won 35-21," Ed said. "We were down 13-0, but we came back to score 35 straight points."

That may be his most vivid memory, but it is far from his only one.

"We've had some great games with them over the years and we haven't always been on the winning side," Ed said. "We lost to the 7-6 in 1985 and they went on to the Super Bowl that year. In '91 we had a great back-and-forth game with them that we won 32-28. It was basically a case where we had the ball last and we won. All of the games with the exception of a couple have been close. There have been very few blowouts."

Another great game in the rivalry, at least from the Wilmington perspective, occurred while Ed was serving as an assistant coach for the Wildcats in 1976, a year in which Wilmington advanced to the Super Bowl thanks to their turkey day win.

"We were 8-1 going into the game and Tewksbury was 9-0 and we beat them 32-0, and went to the Super Bowl," Ed said.

Now it is Mike's turn, along with the rest of his Wildcat teammates to create some new memories to look back on. Wilmington enters the game with a 7-3 record, and obviously is assured of a winning season win or lose on Thursday. But without a win on Thanksgiving, the season would still not be satisfying.

"We want to finish on a good note," Mike said. "I may never play again after this game so I want to give it my best. When I was younger I could see how much this game meant to the kids playing then. Now I get to do it on my own."

If the Wildcats are going to be triumphant on Thursday it is likely that Mike will have something to say about it. He has five touchdowns and 301 receiving yards on the season.

Wilmington coach Bob Almeida knows that Mike has been a key cog in the Wildcat offense all year.

"He's had some tremendous big catches for us this year," Almeida said. "Nobody concentrates harder on the field than Mike does and he has a real knack for getting open."

Mike, who wears the same number 81 that his father wore while playing for the Wildcats has worked hard for everything he has gotten as a football player. He has earned not only great statistical success for the Wildcats, but also the respect of his head coach for how he accomplished those numbers.

"A lot of Mike's success comes from his work ethic," Almeida said. "He has developed into a powerfully built kid and a good football player."

Much of that work ethic came from Ed, and all the time that Mike spent around the Wildcat teams of his youth. Not only did Ed help him develop a fine work ethic, but he also helped him develop a deep love of the game of football.

"I have always felt that if I am doing something I should do it to the best of mu ability," Mike said. "A lot of that comes from my dad always wanting me to do my best. My dad is a big reason why I like football so much and know so much a bout it. My dad was a big influence on me. He taught me the most about football."

For Ed, the joy of watching his son play, particularly on Thanksgiving Day is very rewarding.

"I love going to see him play. My wife, my father and I go to all the games," Ed said. "I just love watching him, but sometimes I have to watch what I say because I can critique too much."

And watching as a father can sometime be more difficult than watching as a coach, as Ed has found out in watching Mike.

"Anyone watching their son or daughter play wants them to do well and you feel bad for them if they are not playing well," Ed said. "As a coach, it's a little different. You have other coaches around you to help watch for things going on in the game and this is what you are worried about."

When Ed is watching Mike play, he gets to see him on both offense and defense, as Mike is a two-way starter for the Wildcats. He may be making more of a name for himself at the tight end position, but it is the defensive side of the ball where he likes to line up most. On defense he has played four positions this season, strong safety, free safety, cornerback and outside linebacker.

"I like defense better," Mike said. "I like it because I get to do a lot of hitting as opposed to being the one taking all the hits. But really I like all the positions I play."

Mike's ability to play so many different positions and play them all at such a high level are testament once again to his work ethic and willingness to stick with the team through tough times.

"Mike's been terrific for us for four years," Almeida said. "He was part of a class that had a lot of problems as freshmen and a lot of kids abandoned ship but he did not. He's been a big piece of our puzzle."

The Wildcats will be hoping to put that puzzle together and earn themselves a win on Thursday. Nobody has to tell the Harrison family how big this game is. Nobody has ever had to remind Ed how much it means to win on Thanksgiving.

"My senior year in high school we beat them 34-12," Ed said. "If you played football at all you knew it was the biggest game of the year. Growing up you always knew it was a rivalry. The coaches used to always build it up, but they really didn't have to. We knew how big the game was."

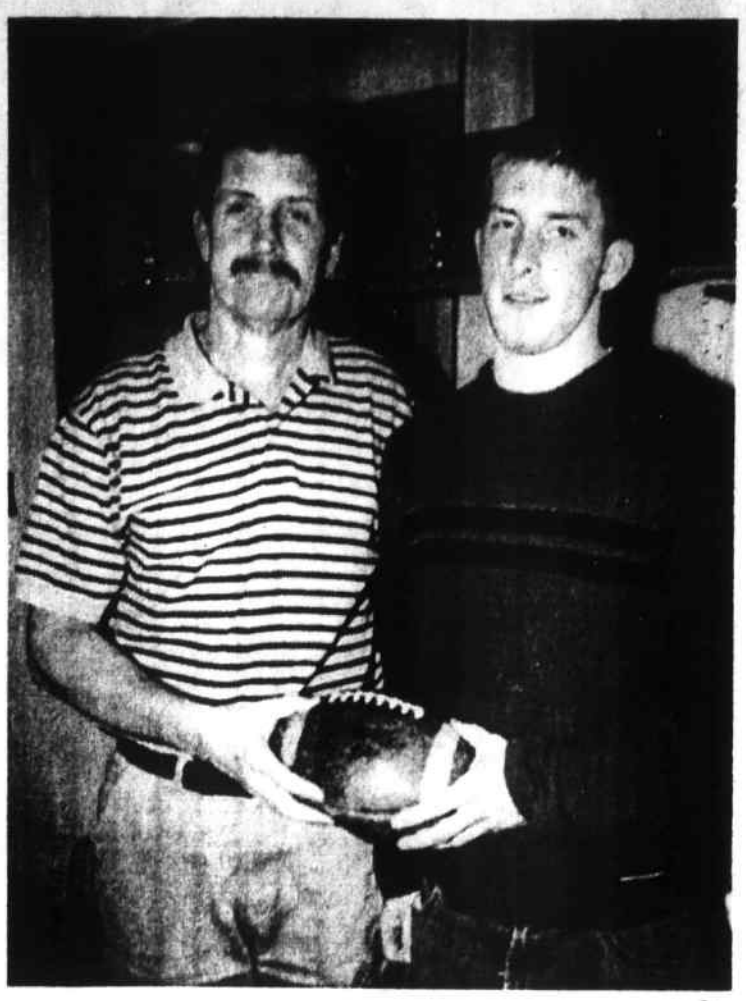
Mike already knows too, that this is a very big game, but on Thursday he will find out just what it means to play in it as a senior. It is an experience he is looking forward to, but he also knows that when it is over, win or lose, it will be then end of one very important part of his life.

"I will miss playing more than anything," Mike said. "I haven't really spent a lot of time thinking about it, but when I do think about it I realize that I will miss it a lot."

With a win, however, Mike and his teammates will have one very special memory to look back on forever.

Just ask his dad.

Jamie Pote contributed to this report.



FATHER AND SON! Former WHS football coach Ed Harrison poses with his son, Mike who is one the captains on this year's Wildcat football team. Ed played for WHS and spent 19 years as a coach, and will watch his son play in his final game on Thursday at Alumni Field. (Photo by Maureen Lamoureux).

All-time WHS Captains

Year	Player(s)
1935	Joe Donovan
1936	Danny Carter
1938	Tommy Leonard
1939	Bob Foye
1940	Art Drew
1941	Dick Carpenter
1943	Leo O'Connell
1944	Game Captains
1945	Gus Blaisdell
1946	Burt Holmes
1947	Russell Garland
1948	Bill Chisholm and Paul Carpenter
1949	Leo Woods
1950	Gerry O'Reilly and Don O'Connell
1951	Jay Tighe and Jere Melzar
1952	Gene Hovey and Bob Palmer
1953	Bob Smith
1954	Frank DePiano
1955	Jay Palmer and Bob Branscombe
1956	Bill Rosa and Sam Cavallaro
1957	John Amaro and Bill Johnston
1958	Joe Casey, Bill Rooney and George Munroe
1959	Eddie Palino
1960	Eddie Casey
1961	Eddie Woods
1962	Jackie Bowen
1963	Jon Fairfield
1964	Jim Newhouse and Dick Page
1965	Peter Keane and Dick Page
1966	Rick Ely and Dick Doucette
1967	Jack Gillis, Dan O'Connell and Hank Devlin
1968	Eddie Gillis
1969	Kenny Cleary and Bruce MacInnis
1970	Dick Gillis and Mike Esposito
1971	Mike Rounds and Steve Holloway
1972	Paul Olsen, Alan Jensen, and Leo Campbell
1973	Dean Devlin, Jack Hollowayand Don Stewart
1974	Jack Stygles, Carl Butler and Bob Bavota
1975	Bob Aprile, Chris Rounds and Mike Mazzola
1976	John Campbell, Gordie Fitch and Ding Esposito
1977	Steven Woods and David Rounds
1978	Tom Carroll, Phil Russo and Sal Carbone
1979	David Woods, Chris Briggs and John Robarge
1980	Donnie Foley, Matt Phillips and Joe Burbine
1981	Rob Santos, Craig Richards and Ken Runge
1982	Eddie Olshaw and Jon Nolan
1983	Dean Athanasia, Paul Caizzi and Gerry Sullivan
1984	Dave Richards, Ken DeYoung and Dante DeMarco
1985	Ed Shelley, Tony Cutone, Dave MacDonald and Peter Campbell
1986	Tom Pote and Al Ausiello
1987	Patrick Nally, Dan Woods and C.J. Barber
1988	John Rago, Derek LeBlanc and Tony DeLucia
1989	Greg Catanzano, Frank Cenca and Steve Killilea
1990	Dennis Walsh, Brian Murray, Bob Voner and Bill Kerrigan
1991	Mike King, Bob Fleming and Bryant Falzone
1992	John O'Reilly and John Burke
1993	Dave Fleming and Eric Robbins
1994	Steve O'Neil and Jack Warford
1995	Tom Burke and Pat Finn
1996	Billy Harrison, Matt Haskamp and Sean Kerrigan
1997	Tim Gillis and Jamie Campbell
1998	Mike Gennetti, Kevin Finnerty and Dave DeAmato
1999	Russ Hubby, Eric Banda and Matt Minghella
2000	Mark Jepson, Jim Fennelly and Josh Hiltz
2001	George Godding, Chris McHale and Mike Herra
2002	Mike Harrison, Dereck Downs and Derek Hanley

Dereck doesn't turn over on Downs

By MATT KALMAN
Sports Correspondent

Wilmington running backs Derek Hanley and Sean Godding posted numbers reminiscent of Barry Sanders this season.

Without the blocking of Dereck Downs, however, the Wildcats' dynamic running duo might have more resembled Colonel Sanders.

The Wilmington tight end moved from offensive guard this season and soon became one of the Cape Ann League's premier run blockers.

"I've been playing offensive line my whole life," said the 6-foot, 200-pound Downs about his move to tight end. "Learning the patterns and everything like that, that was different and at the beginning of the year it took a while. But I learned quick."

Hanley surpassed 1,000 yards on the ground this season and Godding had a handful of games in which he topped the century mark. The numbers are directly linked to the ball carriers, but that doesn't stop Downs from relishing the stats.

"Derek Hanley definitely got most of his yards between me and the tackle (on my side)," said Downs. "I take pride in getting him over 1,000 yards this year."

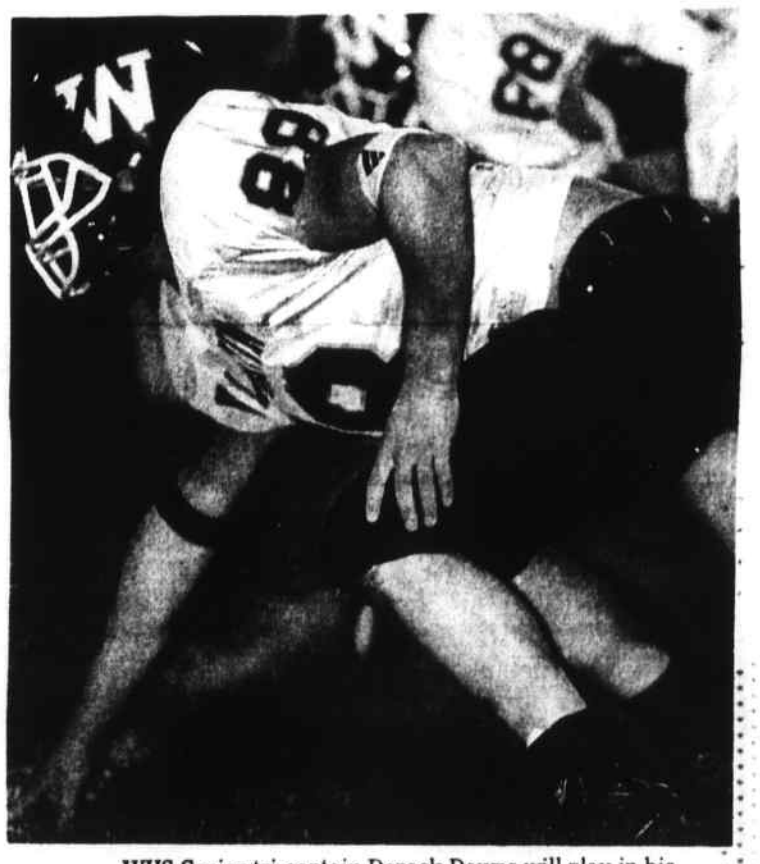
"Certainly he's an option in some of our patterns and he made some key grabs for us, but his strength is in blocking from the tight end position," said Wilmington coach Bob Almeida. "We wracked up a tremendous amount of yards behind him. Derek Hanley and Sean Godding have gone over his side most of the time and he's absolutely been a dominant force at tight end."

Almeida has coached Downs for three years on the Wilmington varsity and will mentor him one last time in the Wildcats' Thanksgiving showdown with Tewksbury. Downs' emergence as a blocking machine didn't surprise the coach in the least.

"He played tackle a year ago and we felt he had the hands to play tight end and he's become dominant there," said Almeida. "I think he's a team guy and he sees his role as imperative to what we do as an offense. We run the veer and have quick hitters right over him. He takes great pride in his blocking. All our backs will tell you he's as responsible for all the yards as they are."

Blocking isn't Downs' only role on the Wildcats squad. Due to numerous injuries, he's been forced to play no less that four defensive positions. And he handles all of Wilmington's punting and placekicking duties.

"Freshman year, I started kicking for the freshman team," said Downs. "Coach (Bob) Gillis was the freshman coach and sophomore year I moved to varsity. (Gillis) kept putting my name in to be the kicker. (Sophomore year) I was beat out for tackle, but I found my way onto the field through kicking."



WHS Senior tri-captain Dereck Downs will play in his final game on Thursday as a two-way player for the Wildcats. (Photo by Jessica Stygles).

When Wilmington doesn't try to cash in on fourth down, the Wildcats aren't afraid to put Downs in the game to make something happen with his foot.

"I think he continues to be very steady as a punter," said Almeida. "He's been pretty reliable the last two years. Placekicking, he has a very strong leg, but he hasn't been as consistent as we'd like."

"Punting comes natural to me," said Downs. "Placekicking I should've worked harder on in the offseason. But there's nothing I can do about that now."

He might need his kicking skills again someday, but after his prep football career is over, Downs will concentrate solely on making himself into a collegiate offensive lineman or tight end.

"I'd like to play Division III or Division II," said Downs. "I'd like to stay at tight end. I'm going to work with (Wilmington freshman quarterback) Joe Herra and see if I can get the hands to play at the D-II level. And it'll help next year's (Wilmington) team, too."

That's Downs, thinking about the Wildcats' fortunes in 2003 even though he won't be around to share in any success.

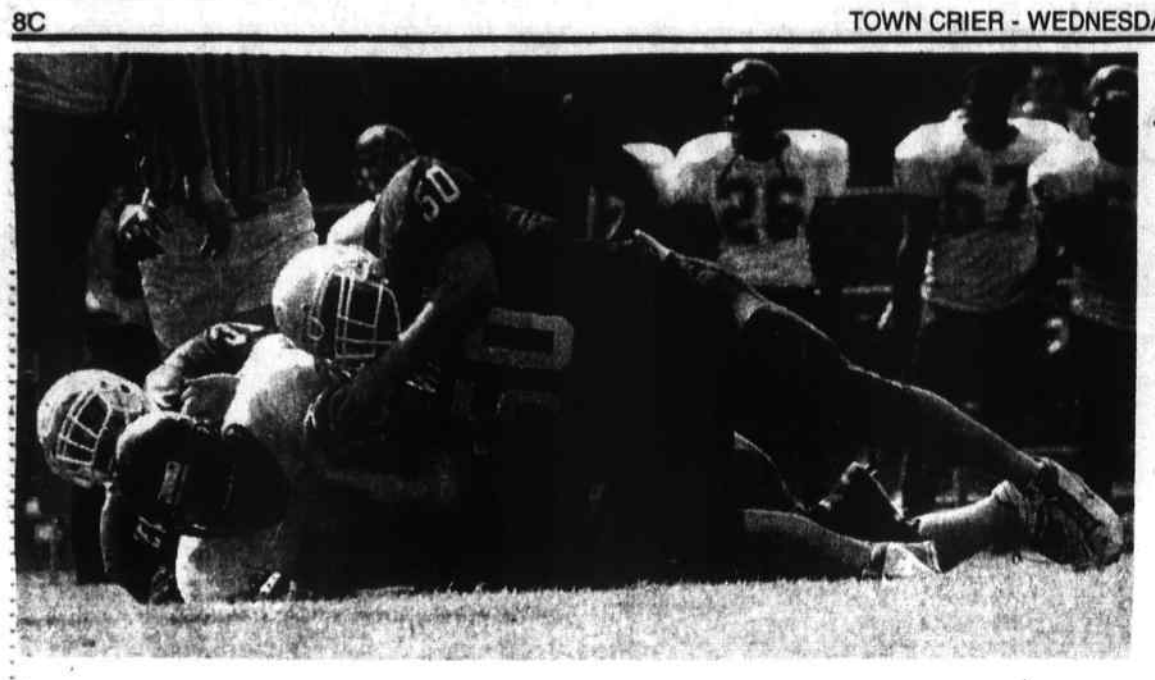
"He's a program guy," said Almeida. "He's somebody who's been with us and done everything we asked of him the past four years.

"He's somebody we can count on. In a high school football program, someone you can count on is more valuable than just about anybody else."

Almeida always gets emotional over his seniors' last game and Downs will be one of six playing their prep football finale on Thursday. Expect Downs to get a little choked up as well.

"I try not to let that get in my head yet and I'm not letting that slow me down" said Downs about thoughts of his last game. "After the game it's going to hit me like a ton of bricks."

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TEWKSBURY HIGH SENIOR TWO-WAY PLAYER Kevin Terrio will lay in his final game as a Redmen player on Thursday. (Photo by Jessica Stygles).

Terrio works his way into a very good player

By MATT KALMAN
Sports Correspondent

This season Tewksbury offensive lineman Mike Terrio proved that when paired with a long-time friend and quarterback, snapping the ball from center can be as easy as riding a bicycle.

Forced to move to center because of injuries, the 5-foot-11, 215-pound senior smoothly returned to the position he played in youth football and helped the Redmen have a stellar offensive season.

"(Rocco and I) took snaps all summer. About twice a week, we just took about 100 snaps a day," said Terrio, a two-year starter for the Redmen. "So we were really used to each other because Coach Aylward told me during the summer that I would have to get ready for center in case (Steve McKenna) went down. We really didn't have anyone to back him up. So we just twice a week took a bunch of snaps to get used to the exchange and we haven't had a bad exchange all year."

Terrio, who will be back at his more familiar guard position when the Redmen face Wilmington on Thanksgiving, had other worries when he changed positions. But he handled those responsibilities with the same ease with which he snapped the pigskin.

"It was pretty fun. I got a lot of new things I had to do," said Terrio. "I had to learn how to identify the most dangerous linebacker. There was a lot more guys on my head, so I had to learn how to block them better."

The Redmen coaching staff helped Terrio take care of business.

"Coach (Paul) Norton's a great offensive line coach," said Terrio. "He gives us the breakdown of who we're going to face, how big they are and how good their skill is and then identifying guys. He just explained it to us so well at camp, no matter who he is we always know where he's going to be."

Coach Brian Aylward said that Terrio never had the given talents to be such a great presence on the offensive line. Rather, he did it himself.

"He's a kid who worked himself into the player he is," said Aylward. "He's not tremendously blessed with talent. He's a worker. He's a great technician and a great student of the game. He believes in us, he believes in the system and he's been a huge asset to this program.

"He's had a heck of a season last year as a guard. This year's his role on defense has expanded. He's probably the most versatile guys on the team. He has played defensive end, linebacker, tackle, nose guard - we've asked a lot of him. He's a great team player."

When Tewksbury passes, Rocco rarely has to worry about pressure from Terrio's side of the line.

"My strength on the offensive line is my pass blocking," said Terrio. "I'm hardly ever beat on that. Run blocking, that could be one of my weaknesses because usually I'm facing guys twice my size week in and week out. So it's kind of tough on me."

His slighter stature allows Terrio to thrive on the defensive line.

"On defense, I think my strength is I'm a little quicker than the guy in front of me, so I think I can get around the guy a lot faster," said Terrio. "One of weaknesses is my coaches always tell me I get too far in the backfield."

The Redmen will accept Terrio's overaggressiveness if he keeps making the type of impact he made in Tewksbury's win over Billerica earlier in the season.

"The Billerica game I had an outstanding game. I remember every single play of that game. It was so fun," said Terrio. "I had a great game on offense and on defense I had an even better game."

Terrio, whose No. 1 collegiate choice right now is Springfield College, will hit the mat for the first time in a long time when the Redmen's grappling season begins. He'll have to get ready to rumble as fast as he reacquainted himself with playing center.

"We need a 215 for wrestling, so I told coach (Aylward) I'd be happy to do it," said Terrio, who also competes in spring track. "I've got to pick up a bunch of moves quick so I can get right into it."

Undoubtedly, Terrio will pick up enough moves to get the job done.

Jamie Pote contributed to this report.

All-time TMHS Football captains

Year	Player(s)
1935	Frank Livingston
1936	Mason Alexander and William Seekins
1937	Joe Kane
1938	Ken Fitzgerald
1939	Joe McNulty
1940	Bob Hunter
1941	Walter Doucette
1942	Al Bonugli
1943	John Ready and Don Berube
1944	Jim Chandler and Alex Davis
1945	Bernard Carroll
1946	Richard Dewing
1947	Warren Bishop and John Kane
1948	Richard Patten
1949	Richard Fortier
1950	John Wojkiewicz
1951	Joel Trull
1952	Mike Bancroft
1953	Walter Golen
1954	Thomas Aspell
1955	Robert Dixon
1956	Gerry Trull and Robert Allen
1957	James Johnson and Robert Weddleton
1958	Robert Hickey
1959	Richard Weddleton and Hugh Mahoney
1960	Clem Connors and William Burke
1961	Gil Caster
1962	Matt McGillick
1963	Connie Barry
1964	Francis McCusker and Gerry Rideout
1965	Alex Stotik and Harry Hansen
1966	John Hazel and Steve Ballou
1967	William Bulloch and Mike Campbell
1968	Barry Sheehan
1969	Mark Manley and Bob Bissett
1970	Charles Roux and Joe Hanley
1971	Harvey Qua
1972	Charlie D'Avanzo and Tim Breen
1973	Tom Morin and Dave Smith
1974	Mike King and Steve Flagg
1975	Tom Sullivan, Rick Mackey and Mark Stephens
1976	Rick Billings and Joseph Gorfinkle
1977	Jay Petros, Mark Petros, Bill Ashe and Rick MacGillisk
1978	Paul Weitz, Tim Brothers and Dave Puzzo
1979	Mark Riddle and Mike Smith
1980	Scott Tremlett, Dennis Vecchi, Bob Byrd and Tom Horgan
1981	Frank Fay, Todd DiRocco, Richard Bradenick and Buddy Pelczar
1982	Mike Buscanera, Jeff Vecchi and Chuck Healey
1983	Steve Gale, Tom Ogden and Tom Mawn
1984	Mike Irvine and Barry Dick
1985	Bud MacAllister, Shawn Blades, Rob Aylward and Bob Dunlay
1986	Dave French, Tom Boudreau, Brian Aylward and Brian Donoghue
1987	Brian French, Dave McSweeney and Jay Rideout
1988	Chris Horgan, Tom Aylward, Dave Carciofi and Keith DeSisto
1989	Abe Mills, Bob Marshall, Sean Wilson, and Glen Harris
1990	Sean Mackey, Tim Lightfoot, Sean Conley and Brian Brooks
1991	Dana Boudreau and Dan Sprague
1992	Mike Roux, Dan Babine and Ryan McNeal
1993	Chris Snow, Brian Donoghue and Mel Santos
1994	George Rodgers, Brian O'Keefe, Scott Haddad and Greg Nota
1995	Mike Torode, Ben Christopher, Ryan Minior and Joe Mercer
1996	Jon Bombach, Tim Lavoie and Matt Petros
1997	Justin Hamilton, Dave Shunamon, Ralph Perrotti and Paul Davoren
1998	Mike Deshler, Tyler Welch and Mark Morris
1999	Jay Stamp, Erik Hamilton, Bryan Deshler and Brian Sinkus
2000	Jack Bryne, Erik Nickerson, Adam Stotik, Ryan Carlson and Jay Wagstaff
2001	James McCarthy, Bill Meuse and Christos Koustenis
2002	Ryan Bryne, Mike Rocco and Steve Kasprzak

Jim Hamilton, the main stay on Tewksbury's defense

By MATT KALMAN
Sports Correspondent

The Tewksbury offense has been explosive this season led by the passing of quarterback Mike Rocco, the running of tailback Steve Kasprzak and the blocking of the bulky offensive line.

But all the points in the world wouldn't do Tewksbury any good if the defense didn't keep opponents off the scoreboard.

When the Redmen face Wilmington on Thanksgiving, senior Jim Hamilton will be in the Tewksbury secondary trying to keep the Wildcats offense in check just like he has all year long.

"Jimmy is like our quarterback on defense," said coach Brian Aylward. "He's such a huge difference for us defensively. The way he is plays ... is just great. He's the big stick in the defensive backfield that we haven't had. He's a great physical presence back there."

Hamilton, who stands at 5-foot-10, 160-pounds, has been a two-year starter for the team in the backfield and would like nothing less for his defensive unit to come up big just one final time.

"We've had a great year this year," said Hamilton. "Everyone worked really hard during the offseason to get ready for the season. I'm doing everything I can on defense and I know everybody else is."

The Tewksbury free safety leads a hard-hitting secondary that has had its job made easier by a ferocious defensive line.

"The line has been doing the job all year," said Hamilton. "The secondary, we're just working hard covering all the receivers."

In his first year starting for the Redmen after he played sparingly as a junior, Hamilton needed time to adjust to varsity play.

"At first it was hard, but you get used to it," said Hamilton. "It was hard always being in the game, always going."

Hamilton chipped in on offense as well. He caught six passes for 68 yards this season and scored a touchdown in the Redmen's season-opening win over Cambridge.

"I played some receiver. I did pretty good on offense," said Hamilton. "Rocco's doing good out there hitting receivers, reading defenses. You know he's going to put it right there and put some speed on it too."

Said Aylward, "Jimmy got a little dinged up with a ankle injury. We were using him as a flanker back and running back. When he was dinged up we realized that he was more important to us on the defensive end. He has still returned kick-offs and punts and has given up great field position all season."

A sound player, Hamilton doesn't do anything flashy he just gets results.

"On defense, my strength is covering receivers, reading the quarterback and getting to the ball," said Hamilton. "On offense, I play a little receiver, and I ran my routes good."

As if playing both sides of the ball wasn't enough work, Hamilton also handled all of Tewksbury kick and punt returns. It was on special teams where he enjoyed his best moment of the season.

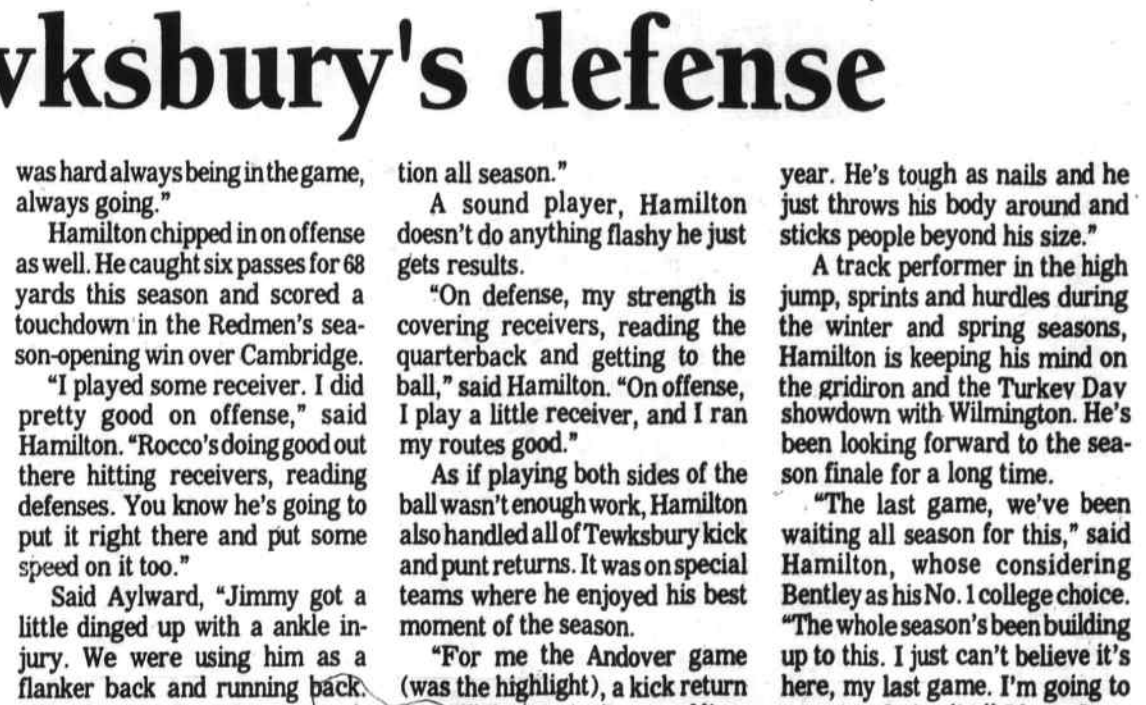
"For me the Andover game (was the highlight), a kick return I ran all the way to the 1-yard line. I got tackled inside the 1-yard line," said Hamilton.

Added Aylward, "He's a kid who doesn't say two words all year. He's tough as nails and he just throws his body around and sticks people beyond his size."

A track performer in the high jump, sprints and hurdles during the winter and spring seasons, Hamilton is keeping his mind on the gridiron and the Turkey Day showdown with Wilmington. He's been looking forward to the season finale for a long time.

"The last game, we've been waiting all season for this," said Hamilton, whose considering Bentley as his No. 1 college choice. "The whole season's been building up to this. I just can't believe it's here, my last game. I'm going to go out and give it all I have."

Jamie Pote contributed to this report.



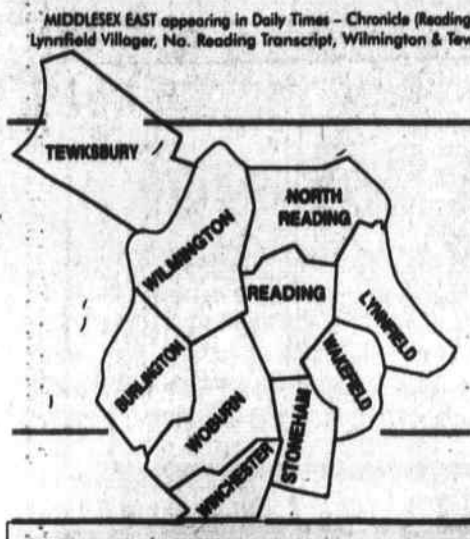
THE TEWKSBURY HIGH SENIORS will be playing in their final game on Thursday when they travel to Wilmington to take on the Wildcats. (photo by Jessica Stygles).

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WAKEFIELD'S SOPHIE R. CHETWYND is shown above with her year round hobby, the Faberge-inspired egg. (Photo, Don Young)

Fabulous egg creations

By JIM GOLDSMITH

When the retailers and promoters think Easter and spring, bunnies and eater eggs hop into newspaper display advertisements for several weeks each year. Meanwhile, Sophie R. Chetwynd's easter never ends. The creation of new ideas in her fertile imagination nourish her insatiable appetite for Faberge-inspired eggs that never fail to dazzle the eye and amaze all who are fortunate enough to see them.

Sophie, who grew up in Methuen and has lived in Wakefield for 34 years, always loved art in school, but she never dreamed of creating beautiful and striking images from the "incredible egg" that have gone all the way to the White House. The friendly lady with brown hair and eyes can't wait to tell us why she started in this most unusual art form.

Sophie is sitting in her livingroom next to a lighted display case full of her "eggceptional" creations that take on life of their own and have a story to tell. She says, "it started 16 years ago when a friend talked me into going to an annual decorative egg show at the South Shore Plaza. I have to say it was love at first sight. If you can love an egg. I signed up for classes (taught by Marge McLaughlin) and went faithfully to Hingham every week for six or seven years."

One anecdote reveals how much this talented craftsman loves creating her striking eggs.

Sophie never tires of telling people about the ride home from Hingham with her friend Barbara Gallucci. The cadence in her voice quickens when she tells us, "One time driving back to Wakefield from Hingham my friend and I were laughing and joking and I was showing her my egg. I was weaving in and out of traffic when I was pulled over by a policeman. He said, 'ok ladies where have you been" I said 'we've been to an egg class.' he said, 'where?' At this point I showed him the egg (she made), and he was disinterested.'These ladies were high on eggs, and its an art form that has given this Wakefield craftsman a Rocky Mountain High since 1986.

Eggs to S-4

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ANTHONY MANCONI

CAPT. DAN GATELY stopped a car for speeding when he noticed three priests were the occupants he asked for an explanation. The driver Father Tom said, "We are going on A SICK CALL." "Now what a minute," Capt. Gately exclaimed, "I was an altar boy server for 5 years, I graduated from Boston college and I've been a police officer for 10 years and, I never heard of three priests going on a sick call." Father Tom smiled and replied, "With all due respect Captain, you may be too young to remember A SOLEMN HIGH MASS WELL, THIS IS A SOLEMN HIGH SICK CALL."...

RODNEY DANGERFIELD says that he gets NO RESPECT - well I don't much either. I told my JOKES, QUIPS AND PUNS at the WOBURN ELKS recently and I heard only one person who applauded. I went over to him and thanked him. It was JIMMY QUINNO who said to me, I WASN'T APPLAUDING YOU Chipper, I was trying t o get the darn KETCHUP to come out of the BOTTLE!"...

I remember when UNCLE JOHN SHEA came home and told Aunt Nora, "I don't know about FATHER JOHN CRISPO, every time I go to church the altar is full of either CHRYSANTHEMUMS OR LILLIES."...

Folk, there may be HUNDREDS OF LANGUAGES in this world of ours BUT everyone SMILES IN THE SAME LANGUAGE...

Will Roger said," I would rather be the man who BOUGHT the BROOKLYN BRIDGE than the one who sold it to me."...

I recently read that at woman had her THIRD HUSBAND CREMATED. Folks, LIFE IS SOMETIMES UNFAIR. Some woman can't get ONE HUSBAND and Here's a woman who had HUSBANDS TO BURN...

AFTER LOCKING UP, Mickey Reardon went home. He received a call from Blackie Vega at five in the morning asking him to come down and unlock the TAVERN DOOR. "For crying out loud, "Mickey exclaimed, "can't you wait till noon time for a drink?" I don't want a drink; you LOCKED me in at 2 in the morning."

A VACUUM CLEANER SALESMAN rang Paul Rao's doorbell then said to him, I'm selling vacuum cleaners and I know YOU NEED ONE." "How the heck do you know that?" Paul asked. "Well, the CHIPPER next door told me that he has been BORROWING your vacuum and it's about time that YOU BOUGHT A NEW ONE!"...

Dennis Tully asked his mother Fran, "DO MEN WITH WHISKERS EVER GO TO HEAVEN?" "YES THEY DO," Frank Tully said, "BUT ONLY BY A CLOSE SHAVE!"...

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UNCLE ANGELO (Aunt Nora's husband), was a, DEEP SEA FISHERMAN. HE DROWNED when a sudden storm came up and capsized the boat. Aunt Nora opened up a "STRONG BOX" down the cellar that contained $5,000 in cash and a note that said spend $2500 FOR A BURIAL PLOT AND $2500 FOR A STONE." Two weeks later at a WOMEN'S GARDEN CLUB MEETING, Aunt Nora waved her hand in the air and with a smile a mile wide announced to the members, "AND THIS IS THE STONE.

Folks I loved' those, BURMA SHAVE SIGNS of long, long ago like DON'T STICK YOUR ELBOW OUT TOO FAR-It may end up in another car. BURMA SHAVE...

DURING WW-II some recruits came straight off the FARMS. Some were being trained AT CAMP DIX. The drill sgt. shouted, "Aw right, LIFT UP YOUR LEFT FOOT AND KEEP UP!" One young soldier lifted up his RIGHT FOOT-so-he was standing next to a SOLDIER WITH HIS LEFT FOOT UP. The Sgt. from way down the line yelled, "who's the BLOOMING IDIOT WITH BOTH FEET OFF THE GROUND?"

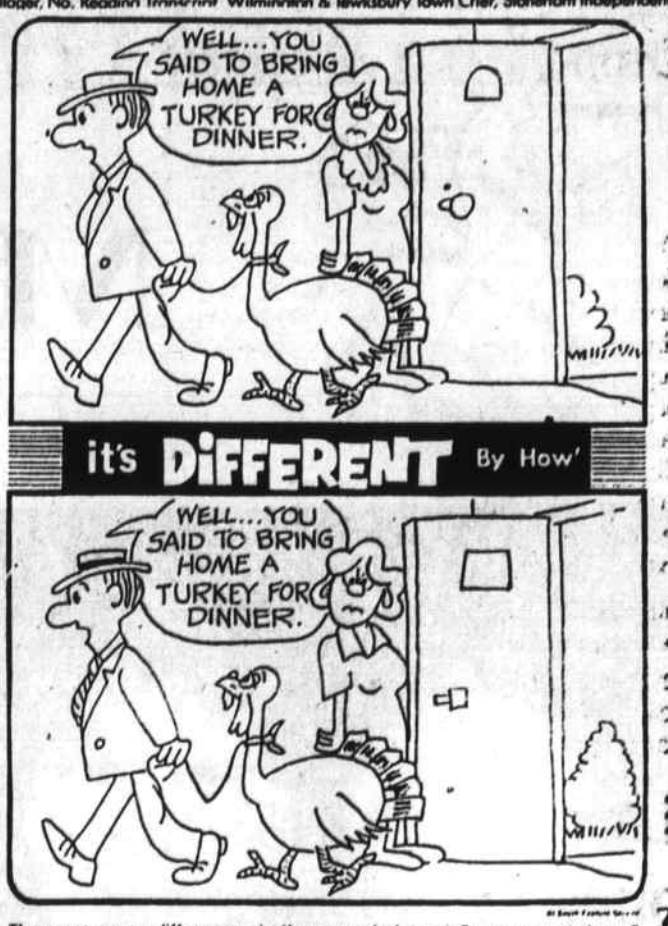
Chris Corbelle and I finished a "FIFTH" for the "FOURTH OF JULY."...

When I was on THE WPA, my crew was sent to the POINT OF PINES. A resident ran out and asked me, "WHAT ARE YOUR MEN DOING HERE?" "We are going to REPAIR THE STREET," I replied.

"OH!" he exclaimed, I see so many "STATUES" I thought you were BUILDING A PARK."...

TEACHER MARIA COLE asked the class, "who can stand up and give me TWO WORDS that have the MOST LETTERS in them?" My nephew DENNIS TULLY stood up and said "POST OFFICE" have the MOST LETTERS...

THE POLICE RADIO BLURTED out, "Attention all cars, investigate a report of "TOP-LESS BATHERS" in the vicinity OF KELLY'S on the Beach." I dashed down there myself (after all this was an EMERGENCY). Well Folks, others thought so too - there were POLICE CARS from many neighboring cities and towns and even one from NEW HAMPSHIRE. Well, it WASN'T A, FALSE ALARM - there were in deed TOP-LESS BATHERS-ALL "MEN AND, BOYS." SOME WOMEN, CAME CLOSE-BUT NO CIGARS.



There are seven differences in the second picture, Can you spot them ?

ANSWERS: WINDOW, DOORKNOB, HAT, ROPE, DRESS, TIE, BUSH

Christmas Carol in Stoneham

The classic Christmas tale of Ebenezer Scrooge and a ghostly trio representing Christmas Past, Present and Future comes to the stage of Stoneham Theatre in Charles Dickens', A Christmas Carol November 29 through December 22nd. The third annual production of the holiday favorite features both familiar and new faces.

Dale Place returns as the cantankerous Scrooge and Diego Areiniegas, Artistic Director of the Publick Theatre, debuts on the Stoneham stage as the ghost of Jacob Marley. Other cast members include: Peter Haydu, who played the role of the psychotic dentist in Little Shop of Horrors and is currently appearing in The Gig at the Lyric Stage Company; Christopher Chew from Sunday in the Park with George as the Lyric Stage Company and last year's Stoneham Theatre production of a Christmas Carol, Kathy St. George, originally from Stoneham, appearing at the Lyric Stage in The Gig and from last Summer's Much Ado About Broadway at Stoneham Theatre;

Many young people from the surrounding communities have been cast in supporting roles.

The traditional production features favorite holiday carols and a beautiful Victorian set with snow-topped buildings and a narrow winding street a Boston paper called "superb".

Tickets to a Christmas Carol ar $25-$35 (children half price) and may be purchased by calling the box officer at 781-279-2200. Gift certificates, group rates and large family discounts (five or more) are available. Showtimes are Thursday 7:30 pm; Friday 8 pm, Saturday 4 and 8 pm; Sundays 2 and 7:30 pm.

Visit the website at www.stonehamtheatre.org for a seating chart and directions to the theatre. The theatre is located a 395 Main Street, Stoneham. For more information call Dawn Singh at 617-522-8633.

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Don't forget the M.E. Santa

(See Page S-1 for details)

Drop-off at Certainly Wood "Toys for Tots"

Again this year, the Marines Toys for Tots campaign to deliver new toys to needy children is in full swing. Through the publicÒs generosity and support for the less fortunate, happy smiles can be put on the faces of many youngsters when Christmas morning rolls around. A child that has learned to live without the little extras so many other kids enjoy, will thrill to that special new toy that you, your family or group donate today. In this season of giving, a toy donation can make your holiday so much more meaningful and joyful.

New, non-violent, unwrapped, toys can be brought to the local host retailer, and check donations can also be made.

Your local drop-off center in Reading MA, is at Certainly Wood, 39-41 Lincoln Street, across from the railroad depot and at Certainly Wood in Salem NH at 326 S. Broadway, Route 28, also a host location for Toys for Tots. For more information, call Certainly Wood at 617-944-7400. Deadline for toy donations is December 18.

Lorica Artworks now open in Andover

ANDOVER, November 25th 2002 . Lorica Artworks, located downtown at One Elm Square, Andover, opened its doors to the public for the first time last weekend.

. Lorica Artworks specializes in Original Fine Art from Ireland and currently represents the work of 18 long established Irish artists. Owner, Mia Guerrera has been bringing the work to Boston area art galleries and dealers where it has sold well over the last three years.

The response at the opening was wonderful. The work is appealing to Irish and non-Irish audiences alike because while there are pieces that are at once identifiable as Ireland they are among other paintings that could be a scene anywhere in the world. What is captivating people is how beautifully rendered these paintings are. They are truly breathtaking.

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'Old World Traditions' at House of Seven Gables

"Old World Traditions: An Immigrant's Christmas" at The House of Seven Gables, 54 Turner St, Salem. Christmas Preview Party, Friday, Dec. 6 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets $20 per person, $40 per family. Holiday Tours daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Dec. 7th -31st (Closed Christmas). Tickets $10 for adults, $9 for seniors, $6.50 for children 5-12, under 5 are Free. To reserve tickets call (978) 744-0991 or visit www.7gables.org

Christmas Preview Party

Friday, December 6th, 7:30p.m. 54 Turner Street, Salem, MA 01970 Cost $20 per person or $40 per family (Free with General Membership).

The House of Seven Gables in Salem will host its annual Christmas Preview Party on Friday, December 6 at 7:30 p.m. to kick off their holiday exhibit.

This year's theme, "Old World Traditions: An Immigrant's Christmas" will reflect Salem between 1890 and 1915. The Gables will be decorated by several North Shore garden clubs, desserts and beverages have been donated by local restaurants and caterers.

In addition, The House of the Seven Gable along with Droll Designs of Salem will launch a new line of Gables Pottery inspired by the Canton china that was brought into Salem on trading vessels in the early 1800s.

Holiday Tours

December 7-31 (Closed Christmas Day) Open Daily between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. (Will close at 2 p.m. on Christmas Eve December 24 and New Years Eve December 31)

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The House of Seven Gables, which is on the National Register of Historic Landmarks, includes five historic houses located on Salem Harbor waterfront and represents one of the most important collections of 17th century American architecture.

About the Towns

by Phyllis Nissen

THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES AND THE SMALLEST DETAILS

The right staff in Tewksbury and Wilmington

"In an age and economy frequently characterized by such clichÈs as 'Time is money,' when everyone in the business world seems to want everything accomplished in 15 minutes or less, it's comforting to know that there still are those individuals who espouse such values as integrity, respect, honesty, excellence, commitment, job satisfaction, and personalized service," notes the "Tewksbury Town Crier."

"In the staffing services industry, mother-and-son team Helen and Michael Moore embody those very qualities. Over the years, they have, after all, helped many in Tewksbury find jobs.

"Helen, who recently retired from full-time service, passed on both her business acumen and her clientele to Michael, who is the proprietor of Moore Staffing Services in Methuen. One of six siblings, Helen Bellino was born in 1933 and attended Medford High School, where she was active in softball and cheerleading. She graduated in 1949 at age 16 and went to work part-time at a nurses' registry at 10 Tremont Street in Boston. She recalls one particular story about her time at the registry.

"'One afternoon, this tall, beautiful blonde woman walked through the door of our agency in search of a position,' recalls Helen. 'She said that she desperately needed something in Cambridge near the bus line between the hours of 4 and 10 p.m. When I asked her to fill out an application, she replied that she was not a nurse, but a cleaning woman! At first, I didn't know what to say; then I had an idea. I asked her to wait while I telephoned a gentleman by the name of Frank, whom I had met at a company event at Necco Wafer Candy Company in Cambridge, where my mother was employed. I introduced myself, described the woman's dilemma, and asked if by any chance he had such a position available. I'll never forget Frank's reply: 'Helen, timing is everything.' It just so happened that he did have such a position available, and I was able to help the woman get exactly the position that she needed! It was my very first experience in helping to do something good for someone who needed it, and I've never forgotten it. It was the seed that caused my career to blossom....'"

Just enough in Winchester and Woburn

"Three different members voted against it for three different reasons, but the Woburn City Council voted to grant a special permit that will lead to an 18-unit townhouse complex at the intersection of Main and Cross streets, at the Winchester line," notes the Winchester edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"Only 182 square feet of the development lies in Woburn, and Winchester officials have already approved the plan this summer.

"There were enough concerns - about height, traffic and problems with an easement for the proposed Tri-Community Bike Path - to keep the petition in doubt until the final vote was tallied.

"The margin was 6-3, with Alderman at-large Joanna Gonsalves, Ward 4 Alderman William Booker, and Ward 5 Alderman Paul Medeiros opposed. Six affirmative votes were required for passage.

"Attorney Geoffrey Curtis, representing petitioner Winchester Associates, said the townhouse development would replace an existing concrete block building, with a two-family home attached.

"Sewage systems and services would be provided by the town of Winchester, which put the petition through 'some pretty rigorous standards' before approving it.

"'Given what's there now...this will be a less intense use that will spruce up that corner,' said Curtis...."

Staying safe in Wakefield

"The Wakefield Police Department would like to remind the joggers, walkers and runners of Lake Quannapowitt to leave those purses and wallets at home!" notes the Wakefield edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"The WPD receives a steady flow of reports of vehicle breaks and subsequent thefts from individuals who parked their vehicles in the area of Lowell Street and the Comverse building.

"One day, police received two reports of vehicle breaks in the area of Lake Quannapowitt and in both cases, purses were taken from the cars.

"At 11:06 a.m., a woman contacted the WPD to report that some time between 10 and 11 a.m., the front driver's side window of her Dodge Durango had been shattered while it was parked near the Comverse building entrance.

"A purse, valued at $100, was allegedly stolen, along with a cellular phone, valued at $50.

"The second incident was reported by the owner of a 1996 Honda which was reportedly entered between 1 and 2 p.m. as it was parked along Quannapowitt Parkway....

"So, if you're planning to visit Lake Quannapowitt in the near future, it's advised that you leave your valuables at home. Just remember to bring along your driver's license!"

"About the Towns" covers recent events in the 10-town Middlesex East area. Because Middlesex East deadlines are early, please check the front sections of this paper for up-to-date information about your city or town. We also welcome original material - please send it to Phyllis Nissen, "About the Towns," Middlesex East Supplement, Box 240, Reading, MA 01867.

Reunions

Classmates Are Getting Together

Brookline H.S. Class of '62 has 40th reunion

BROOKLINE - The Brookline High School Class of '62 will be holding their 40th reunion at the high school on Saturday, November 30 at 7 p.m. the price of the event is $62. For details call 781-449-6100, X140.

Class of '72 at Woburn H.S. reunion is Friday, Nov. 29

WOBURN - The Woburn H.S. Class of '72 will hold its 30th reunion at the Woburn Country Club on Friday, November 29.

Cocktails are 7-8 p.m., a dinner buffet 8-9 p.m. and dancing 9 to midnight. The price is $35 per person. For tickets call Jayne Tracy at 781 933-8850 or 781-589-5170.

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Fabulous eggs

From S-1

Sophie, who is known around town as "the egg lady" takes to her ostrich, turkey, cockateel, goose and finch eggs like a duck to water. She is such an accomplished *artisan* that she teaches students in her home the fine art of turning a white, calcified egg into whatever the artist's mind can envision. And when she goes to egg shows like those held at the South Shore Plaza, Braintree and the World Trade Center, Boston. Sophie teaches seminars, sells some of her egg creation by design and sometimes buys miniature furnishings and furniture–all the better to decorate with.

You have probably heard of the easter egg hunt at the White House. Well, Sophie Chetwynd didn't get down on her knees to hunt for colored eggs with children. She was invited to submit an egg that would represent something special about Massachusetts. Sophie's choice? An egg creation depicting one of the Boston Common Swan Boats. She was the only "egger", person who makes these ornate creations, chosen from the Bay State. Each artisan invited to create an egg, represented one of the 50 states.

Today Sophie pulls out an album of fond remembrance–a letter from the AEB, correspondence and color photographs of the special occasion and tells us, "Clinton was president and somehow, somebody for the American Egg Board contacted me July 17, 2000. The egg had to be finished by Dec./Jan. 2001. My daughter, Laura, two of her girlfriends and I went to the White House for the weekend. The White House was closed to the public. We went through security and we just had a very extensive tour, including the White House garden. It was such an incredible warm, sunny 90 degree (April) day. We saw Newt Gingrich at a luncheon across the street (Pennsylvania Avenue). There were 35 craftsmen from throughout the nation there with their guests.

We met the first lady (Hilary Rodham Clinton)–she was very warm and made us all feel welcome." Sophie's choice is part of a permanent White House collection that she says, "Are on public display two weeks before and one week after easter each year."

When you examine Sophie Chetwynd's eggceptional creations you wonder if mother goose would recognize her "offspring." With a honk, honk here and cluck, cluck there these barnyard buddies have wandered far off their mid western hatchery leaving 40,000 cousins, brothers and sisters and finding a new life in a master craftsman's Wakefield cellar.

They truly have soared to new and exciting heights on the wind beneath the Floating Angel's wings. Today these "eggceptional" Creations by Design have found new homes across the nation. A Tiny Swan Boat from Boston via Wakefield captured the imagination of an extraordinary artist and now the nation. We can't speak for mother goose, but the layman seeing Sophie's handiwork would, like Humpty Dumpty, find it hard to put all the pieces back that Sophie R. Chetwynd has so carefully hand carved away.

This "good egg" has a wonderful philosophy of life that carries over into her relationship with the 4,000 - 5,000 people who have marveled at her creations.

Surrounded by her surrogate family of princes and carriage, (ostrich egg coach), wedding cake ornament and a balloon egg, the quintessential "mother hen" says, "I just always felt that life is definitely too short, and you should share what you've learned. I share everything with my students; every good thing I've shared has always come back to me."

Egger forever Sophie R. Chetwynd is hooked not on phonics but infertile eggs that bring her solace, peace, joy and contentment. She has shared her expertise with folks from Reading, Stoneham, Melrose, the Westminster Historical Society and people in southern New Hampshire.

Sophie is very proud of her daughter, Laura, who lives in Washington D.C., and is studying for her doctorate in audiology. Laura's goal is to help children with hearing disabilities. Perhaps mom's "apple pie" will turn out to be a dessert for the eye-a treasure for these children to behold. It certainly has for the thousands of adults who have marveled at their diversity and beauty.

Movie Reviews

by Paul Feely

"Die Another Day" a must see

MOVIE: "DIE ANOTHER DAY"
GRADE: ***

Review: Pierce Brosnan makes his fourth appearance as James Bond in this latest outing, and it is the best Bond flick in about 20 years

This is the 20th James Bond movie, and the 40th anniversary since author Ian Fleming created the superspy, and the producers have loaded this film with references, some subtle and some not, to the other 19 that have come before it. For Bond-ophiles who have seen the other films numerous times it is a feast for the eyes, as plot twists, characters, and gadgets all call to mind others that have come before them (one nice touch is when Bond picks up a copy of a bird-watching guide written by James Bond, the book that inspired Fleming to use the name for his new creation).

Halle Berry makes a nice addition to the long list of Bond girls, playing National Security Agency agent Jinx, who is every bit Bond's counterpart and equal during missions.

The plot is long and unbelievable, involving counterfeit diamonds, a satellite that can harness the energy of the sun, and genetic alterations that can change a person's race, but the sarcastic one-liners and gadgets (John Cleese is terrific as the new 'Q') make up for any ridiculous moments that occur along the way.

SHORTTAKES

MOVIE: "HARRY POTTER AND THE CHAMBER OF SECRETS"
GRADE: ***

Review: Everyone's back for this sequel to the very popular 'Harry Potter and the Sorceror's Stone'.

Daniel Radcliffe returns as Potter, who is visited at home by a little house elf named Dobby who warns him not to return to school at Hogwarts this year. But if he didn't there would be no movie, so off Potter goes, into he knows not what.

There he finds his old friends and teachers, the same characters that made the first film such a delight to watch. Director Chris Columbus returns to handle the sequel (though he has announced he will not return for the planned third movie), and recreates the magic and charm that has made the books these movies are based on, and the films themselves, such hits

The storyline is a bit more complicated this time around, but children should have little trouble following along. Some of the sequences involving spiders and a large monster are a bit intense, and may be too scary for children under 10.

The storyline involves a chamber of secrets located at the school, which was opened once 50 years ago, resulting in nasty things happening to those in attendance at the school. It has been opened again, and Harry must figure out who the culprit is, and what to do about the folks being turned stiff because of these actions.

MOVIE: "THE SANTA CLAUSE 2"
GRADE: ***

Review: Tim Allen returns as the man with all the toys in this sequel to the wildly-popular Disney movie, "The Santa Clause".

The premise of the first move was that when Allen's character accidentally puts an end to Santa, he must automatically take over the duties of making and deliver-

Movies to S-6

Athletes & Activities

by Paul Feely

•**MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA QUESTION**: The Boston Celtics won the NBA Championship every season of the 1960s except the 1966-67 season. Which team won it that season?. Answer appears elsewhere in this column.

•**WAKEFIELD'S TOM RECKO AND JACKIE SMYTH** were recently recognized by the New England Swimming organization for achieving Top 10 times in United States Swimming competitions.

•The Northeast Preseason Hockey Conditioning Clinic will be held November 25-30 (Thanksgiving week) at the Kasabuski Arena in Saugus. The program features two separate sessions, one for girls and boys. Other program features include on-ice skating drills, puck-handling, passing, cardiovascular conditioning, skate training, power stride, agility, quickness and speed. The objectives of the clinic are to increase cardiovascular efficiency, to condition and develop the skating muscle groups, reduce in-season injury and to prepare players mentally for the high school hockey season. For more information, call Ed White at 781-246-0227.

•**STONEHAM'S NICHOLAS FREDETTE** was recently recognized by the New England Swimming organization for achieving Top 10 times in United States Swimming competitions

•Need some help with this week's trivia question? Think about the good doctor.

•A **TANNER PRIDE SOFTBALL CLINIC** will be held December 26-28 at Hitter's Alley in Woburn from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. The program is for girls ages 9 to 15. Fee is $60 per player. All fundamentals will be stressed including specific drills for pitching, catching, infield, and hitting. The camp staff will include current college softball players. Enrollment is limited so call Michele or Jacqui Greene at 781-939-6991.

•**READING'S BRENDAN CLARK** scored a goal for the Merrimack College Warriors mens hockey team in a 4-1 win over Providence College this past weekend.

•**READING'S CHRIS CONDON** is a sophomore member of the Colby-Sawyer College men's basketball team this season. He saw significant time as a rookie and will see many more minutes as he takes over the small forward position. Condon put in a career-high 17 points in the team's first-ever win over Bowdoin, and was sixth on the team in scoring (5.9) "Chris did a lot to improve his strength and conditioning in the offseason," said Foti. "He's worked really hard and has a chance to be an all-conference player this year. He's a great defender, a good three-point shooter, and will be able to do more around the basket because of his time in the weight room."

•**THE COLONIAL ADULT MASTERS SYNCHRONIZED SKATING TEAM** is recruiting for new members for the 2003 season. The team, comprised of skaters from four New England states, has in its two competitive seasons qualified for and been finalists at the National Synchronized Skating Championships. Skaters must be age 25 or older, with good command of edges, turns, and stops and be current USFSA or ISI members at the time of try-out. For more information call 978-263-3450.

•The **'RED HEAT'** is looking for experienced softball players to participate in a 15 game schedule on Sunday's at Strike One in Danvers through March of 2003. Players should be between the ages of 15 and 18. For additional information call David at 781-246-0098.

•**ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION:** The Philadelphia 76ers won the title during the 1966-67 NBA season.

•**DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING WE DON'T?** If you have information about a local athlete that you would like to see appear in this column, please mail it to: Paul Feely, Middlesex East Sports. P.O. Box 240, Reading, Ma., 01867, or call Paul at 781-944-2200 between 7 am and 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday, or fax information at 781-942-0884.

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Calendar of Events

BELL RINGERS COME TO WOBURN DEC.8

The popular Sudbury Bell Ringers will bring the music of their 5 octaves of English hand bells to the Woburn Public Library on Sunday, Dec. 8, at 2 p.m.

This free program, which also features talented Woburn residents telling Christmas stories, carol sing along, raffles and desserts, is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Handicapped accessibility. Call the library at 781-933-0148. 45 Pleasant St., Woburn Sq.

COUNTRY STORE IN LYNNFIELD

The Lynnfield Historical Society will hold its annual Country Store on Saturday, December 7 in the 1714 Meeting House on the Common at Main and Summer Streets in Lynnfield Center.

The Country Store features decorative wreaths and greens, teddy bears, holiday gift baskets, and offers a variety of foods including baked goods, cheese and fixings for a traditional New England Ham & Bean Supper.

The Country Store opens at 9 a.m. and runs until 2 p.m., with Santa Claus expected to make an appearance.

KNITTING GUILD GATHERING PLACE

Baa Baa Black Sheep Knitting Guild announces its new gathering place for the 2002-2003 calendar year. Formerly in Lynnfield, it is now established at the beautiful Stoneham Senior Center located at 136 Elm Street, off Route 28, Main Street.

New members are most welcome. There are knitters (all levels), crocheters, weavers - whatever your talent may be with yarn. They have guest speakers, share ideas, and always show and tell by members.

Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. For more information or detailed directions, call Theresa at 1-781-438-9256.

NORTH READING COMMUNITY CHORALE

On Saturday, December 7 at 8 p.m. at the Aldersgate Methodist Church, 235 Park Street in North Reading, there will be a chorale Christmas concert, given by the North Reading Community Chorale.

Please join in celebrating the Christmas season. There will be songs to add to your Christmas spirit, and an opportunity to kick off the holiday season.

Call 978-664-4800 for tickets or they may be purchased at the door. Tickets are $6 for adults and $3 for children and seniors.

The chorale will also be performing at the Reading Masonic Temple Annual Christmas Party as well as Christmas on the North REading Common on Sunday, December 8. Please join in the holiday spirit.

CHORAL SOCIETY HOLIDAY CONCERTS

The spectacular sounds of holiday music will fill the air when the Newburyport Choral Society (NCS) one of the largest and oldest choral groups in New England, opens its 68th performance year by presenting its annual winter concerts on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 13,14,15 in the Belleville Congregational Church, High St. Newburyport. The concerts on Friday and Saturday evenings begin at 8 p.m., on Sunday afternoon, the concert is at 2 p.m.

The featured work for the NCS 2002 winter concerts will be a new work wriitten by Jonathan Willcocks, the son of the famous Sir David Willcocks, Jonathan Willcocks is a new voice on the choral music scene and NCS will perform his "Magnificat" for soprano solo, chorus, brass, percussion and organ.

Combining the old with the new, the program will include several choruses by Rachmaninoff and a selection of spirituals, all great favorites both with the chorus and NCS audience.

Tickets for the holiday concerts are $20 for adults and $18 for seniors and students. For additional information call 978-462-0650.

RELIGIOUS POETRY CONTEST

A $1,000 grand prize is being offered in a special religious poetry contest sponsored by the New Jersey Rainbow Poets, free to anyone who has ever written a poem. There are 50 prizes in all totaling almost $5,000. The deadline for entering is January 4.

To enter, send one poem only of 21 lines or less to Free Poetry Contest, 103 N.Wood Ave., PMB 70, Linden, N.J. 07036. Or enter on line www.rainbowpoets.com

"We think great religious poems can inspire achievement," says Frederick Young, the organization's Contest Director. "Our desire is to inspire amateur poets and we think this competition will accomplish that. Massachusetts has produced many wonderful poets over the years and we'd like to discover new ones from this area.

OLD NORTH FESTIVAL CHORUS

The annual Old North Festival Chorus Christmas Concerts, presented each year as part of Marblehead's Christmas Walk, will take place on Saturday, December 7 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, December 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of the historic Old North Church Meeting House, 35 Washington St., Marblehead.

Festival Chorus highlights this year include: Franz Johsph Haydn's Mass in B-Flat; A Symphony of Carols by Randol Bass and Fantasia on Christmas Carols by Ralph Vaughn Williams, all with full orchestral accompaniment.

The Old North Festival Orchestra, soloists, and 100 Festival Chorus will be led by Maria van Kalken, Choir Director and Organist at Old North Church. In addition to a selection of carols of the season, some with audience participation, the public will be treated to a special appearance by The Parrish Singers and other young singers from the community, directed by Rebecca Kenneally, as well as an appearance by the Old North Bell Choir, directed by Sandra Barrett.

AARP CHAPTER 1124 CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Chapter 1124 AARP will hold its Christmas Luncheon and installation of Officers/Directors on Friday, December 13 at the Kernwood Restaurant, Salem St., Lynnfield.

Social hour at 12 noon; luncheon at 12:30 p.m. Entree choices are London Broil au jus or grilled Salmon Steak. Tickets $20.00. Song stylist George Lyons will present "Rekindling Christmas Memories."

Order by sending a check made payable to Melrose Chapter 1124 noting your choice of entree and mail to Rosemary Behrle, 72 Lynde St Melrose 02176. Be sure to include a self-addressed stamped return envelope. Deadline for reservations is December 2.

WANTED; ENTERTAINERS FOR 2003 SEASON

Talent scouts from Busch Gardens in Williamsburg, Va. are conducting their annual nationwide talent search for singers, actors, musicians, dancers, variety artists, stage managers and technicians for the 2003 season. Auditions will be held December 3 at Boston Center for the Arts from 1 p.m.-6 p.m.

Participants from all performing disciplines are encouraged to attend and showcase their talents. "We have eight sensational mainstage productions and dozens of strolling shows," said Linda Cuddihy, vice president of entertainment for the Williamsburg adventure parks. "The experience performers receive at Busch Gardens is equivalent to a one year run on Broadway," Cuddihy added.

Busch Gardens Williamsburg also offers performers a state of the art Pilates studio."The Pilates studio offers dancers a safe conditioning program based on the unique demands of the show and the entertainers' individual needs," says Cuddihy.

For those interested in auditioning, performances are limited to 90 seconds. Performers must be at least 16 years of age to work and technicians must be 18.

SUPPORT GROUPS FOR NEUROFIBROMATOSIS

The New England Chapter of the National Neurofibromatosis Foundation is seeking individuals and parents of children who are affected by the disorder neurofibromatosis to form support groups. Those who wish to be part of a group or who would like more information should contact the New England office at 1-888-585-5316 or nnffne@aol.com.

NF is a common genetic disorder that strikes one in every 4,000 babies born. It causes tumors to grow on nerves anywhere in the body, including the brain and spinal cord. NF can lead to a wide range of complications including blindness, deafness, loss of limbs, chronic pain, paralysis, skeletal defects, cardiovascular problems, and cancer. The disorder affects people of all races, and both sexes equally. Half of all cases arise at random in families with no genetic history of NF.

LA LECHE LEAGUE MEETING DECEMBER 13

The gradual transition from breastfeeding to the family dinner table can be accomplished smoothly while instilling healthy attitudes about food. Practical information about weaning and family nutrition will be shared as La Leche League of Wilmington meets to discuss "Nutrition and Weaning" on Friday, December 13 at 10 a.m. at the Winchester Hospital Family Medical Center, 500 Salem St (Rte 62) in Wilmington. Meetings are held on the 2nd Friday of each month. Women from surrounding towns are welcome.

This meeting is the fourth in the current series of four monthly meetings open to nursing mothers and their babies, as well as pregnant and other interested women. For directions, further information or support call Karen (978-657-8301), Sharon (978-694-1012) or Terry (978-694-1073.)

HOLIDAY SHOW AND SALE 2002

New work by over 40 ceramic artists will be on display at the Harvard Ceramics Program's annual Holiday Show and Sale at 219 Western Ave., Allston.

Participants include undergraduates, graduate students, employees of Harvard and members of the surrounding community. On opening night, Thursday, December 12 from 3-

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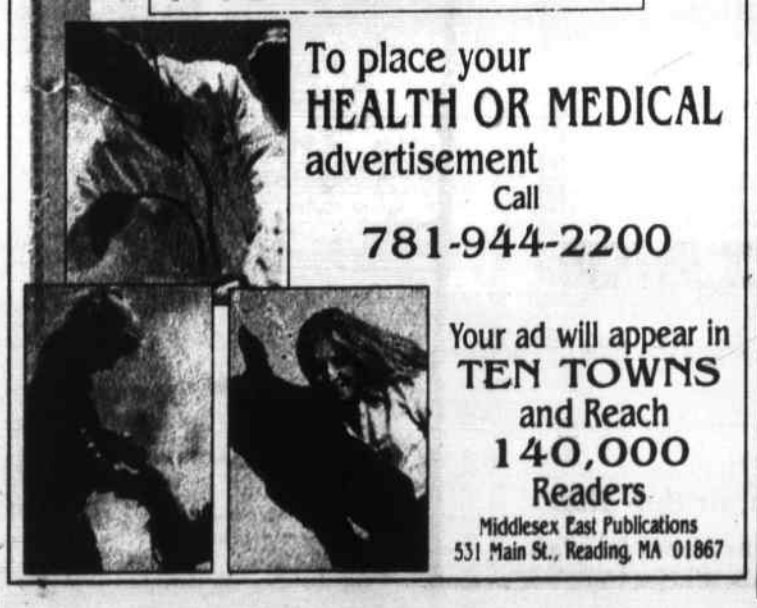


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School Notes

by Phyllis Nissen

AT THE TOP OF THEIR GAME

Crowned in Wilmington

"Students, colleagues and acquaintances just can't get enough of Wilmington Middle School teacher Thomas Mirisola," notes the "Wilmington Town Crier."

"When they speak about the beloved educator, words of praise and lists of admirable characteristics flow from them.

"It is no wonder then, that the English teacher was recently selected for Massachusetts Teacher of the Year by Wal-Mart and Phi Delta Kappa International. Nor is it a wonder that Mirisola was also honored during a recognition ceremony at the middle school.

"Phi Delta Kappa is an association dedicated to promoting quality education throughout the United States, Canada and abroad. Wal-Mart works in conjunction with Phi Delta Kappa to nominate and honor valuable educators around the country.

"Mirisola was chosen from hundreds of teachers throughout the state because he is distinguished by his involvement in the education of his students and the encouragement with which he provides them. Kathleen Conway, the Principal of Wilmington Middle School, who has been working with Mirisola for approximately nine years now, is proud to have him representing the quality of teachers at her school.

"'Tom stands out because he puts the kids first,' says Conway. 'He is a hard worker. He's here early in the morning and late in the afternoon.'

"Conway commends Mirisola on the development of Outdoor Life, a week-long science program that allows students to collaborate and work on experiments and labs in an outdoor environment.

"'He has a great way with kids,' says Conway. 'He is one of those teachers that kids have such wonderful respect for....'"

High in Lynnfield

"After three years of descending scores which bottomed out last year, local SAT scores have rebounded to levels not seen since 1999," notes the "Lynnfield Villager."

"In the wake of tremendous MCAS scores, local students, teachers, and administrators are attributing these SAT results to the strong preparation which went into the MCAS testing.

"This year's SAT results show dramatic improvement in Math where the average score jumped 18 points from the previous year. Local students combined to average 545 points out of a possible 800. This is the highest average since 1999 when students scored 555.

"The 545 average is well above the state and national average which sits at 516.

"On the verbal section, students averaged a score of 541. This score is also well above last year's dismal 529 average, but not as high as the 546 scored in 1999.

"Again the verbal score was well above the state average (512) and the national average (504).

"One other stat which continues to make Superintendent Dr. Richard Palermo and the School Committee proud was the fact that 98% of the eligible students took the test. This is the norm in Lynnfield. From 1998 to 2000, 100% of the students took the test. In 2001, that total slipped to 94% overall, but Lynnfield still remains well above the state average (81%) in percentage of students taking the test.

Compared to other area schools, only Hamilton/Wenham outscored Lynnfield in verbal and math.

"In verbal, Hamilton/Wenham averaged 565 with 96% of the students taking the test. Lynnfield was then followed by Rockport (539/60%), North Reading (531/83%), Masconomet (530/89%), Swampscott (528/92%), North Andover (519/94%), Wakefield (513/85%), and Amesbury (488/78%)...."

Wired in Woburn

"Technology is finally catching up and making the old debate over 'Mac vs. PC' unnecessary, School Educational Technology Director Barbara Henry told the School Committee," notes the Woburn edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"'Cross-platform,' the ability of software and data to function on and be accessible from both Macintoshes and PCs is where it's at these days, she said, the rule not the exception.

"Henry appeared before the board to discuss Mac/PC use in the district and provide an update on educational technology planning.

"Committee members had expressed concern or questions about the district moving toward Macintosh use from PCs, but seemed largely satisfied following the discussion.

"Henry said there are now modern computers in every elementary school (at least one in every classroom), labs and mini-labs in the middle schools (where she also hopes to have one in every classroom this year) and labs at the high school, all capable of meeting modern technology standards.

"The new Shamrock Elementary School, however, has what she hopes will eventually be at all the schools: wireless.

"And that, in large part, fueled the decision to go with Macintosh, she said...."

If you'd like to read about your favorite school, student or teacher in "School Notes," please send school newsletters and other relevant information to Phyllis Nissen, "School Notes," Middlesex East Supplement, Box 240, Reading, MA 01867. We welcome student writing.

Movies

From S-4

ing toys each year, thanks to the little known, 'Santa Clause' contract.

In this sequel, a chief elf has noticed some fine print in the contract, stating that Santa must take a wife or Christmas will be finished. Thus he sets off in search of Mrs. Clause, and the usual hi-jinks ensue along the way.

Allen, who once said he would never make a sequel to the movie, is clearly having fun in the big red suit this time around, and the film is filled with enough laughs to entertain both young and old viewers alike.

MOVIE: "THE TRUTH ABOUT CHARLIE"
GRADE: **

Review: Director Jonathan Demme brings this remake of the film 'Charade' to the big screen, with Mark Wahlberg in the famous Cary Grant role.

Not everyone is who they appear to be. Wahlberg may or may not be a bad man, who charms his way into the life of a troubled woman, played by Thandie Newton. Tim Robbins plays a good guy (maybe), who is also trying to help Newton's character, and the fun is trying to figure out what is going on before the characters do.

Demme lets out just enough information to keep the viewer interested, though Newton doesn't seem to be enjoying her role too much on screen. Robbins is very good, and Wahlberg holds his own in a role that Grant once played, tough shoes to fill.

Health & Medicine

CHECK M.E. OUT

New parents
Mom needs time too



When new mothers take care of themselves, they often find it's easier—and less taxing—to take care of the baby.

While the nine months of pregnancy are difficult, the real work begins with the baby's arrival.

Balancing the needs of an infant while juggling demands of job or a household is an daunting and often challenging task.

A newborn commands attention throughout much of the day and new mothers often forget to set aside time for themselves.

In order to maintain the health of parent and child, it is important for mothers to establish time to unwind and prevent stress from taking its toll.

"Personal attention and maintenance is a necessary element in a new mother's schedule" says Robert A. Hadden, MD, assistant professor of Clinical Ob/Gyn at Columbia University's College of Physicians and Surgeons. "Even though new moms have less time for themselves, it is important to the well-being of mother and child to make time available. Without small time-outs, new mothers can become irritable and frazzled causing poor quality time to be spent with the baby."

The following are Dr. Hadden's list of things moms can do to make time for themselves.

•After the infant has been tucked in for a few hours sleep, go into the bathroom (with the baby monitor, or course) and relax in a warm bath. Take deep breaths and enjoy the calming effects of the water,

•Create a skincare spa at home with a mini-facial. During and immediately after pregnancy, skin can "act up" due to fluctuations in hormone levels. While it may seem difficult to find a gentle yet effective cleansing method, facial cloths are an easy way to pamper and care for skin.

Olay Daily Facials are one method to enjoy this process.

The informative web site, www.dailyfacials.com, teaches new moms how to achieve clean, moisturized skin in a manner that befits their hectic schedules.

•With the snoozing baby safely in tow in a snuggly, escape the confines of home and go for a walk. A stroll will clear the mind, invigorate the spirit and stretch the body.

Calendar

From S-5

8 p.m. a limited edition of artist made wine cups will be given away to shoppers on a first come basis.

The exhibition and sale of functional pottery and sculptural ceramics will continue Friday through Sunday, December 13-15 from 10 a.m .to 6 p.m.

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Woburn resident, Joshua-Paul Johnian returns to the Millennium Music Center as the director of the intriguing new musical "Where the Sun Always Shines."

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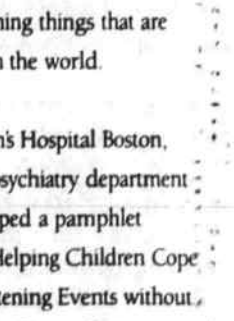
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BUSINESS

NOTICE OF JOB VACANCY TOWN OF BURLINGTON

Position of Senior Clerk

Reporting to the Appraiser/Assistant Assessor, this full-time Senior Clerk position (35 hours per week) performs clerical duties and makes frequent contact with the general public and town departments. Processes documents, types correspondence, sorts and distributes mail, answers and directs phone inquiries, filing and other general clerical duties as requested.

Minimum Qualifications: High school diploma experience in clerical work. Skills in typing on standard and word processing equipment.

This position is included within within the Burlington Municipal Employees Association bargaining unit. Starting salary at Grade 5, Step 1 of the BMEA contract $15.08 per hour plus benefits.

Send by 12/06/02;

Assessors Department
29 Center Street, Burlington, MA 01803
Fax 781-270-1775
Email: mnonni@burlmass.org
EOE/AA

B20-29

Applications and a complete job description available in the Assessors Office. Applications shall be accepted until December 6, 2002, 4:00pm.

PROFESSIONAL

EXPERIENCED TAX PREPARERS

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P20-27

MEDICAL

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M21-27

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M12-3

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P20-26

ELECTRICIAN

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Applicants must have documented experience troubleshooting, repairing and maintaining commercial lighting and power systems, emergency lighting systems, fire alarm systems, computer network wiring systems, phone systems, intercoms and sound systems.

Interested candidates should forward their resumes and three professional references no later than December 6, 2002.

Director of Building Facilities
Woburn Public Schools
55 Locust St., Woburn, MA 01801
Fax: 781-937-3158

P26-29

MEDICAL

LPN/CNA Opportunities

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M26-3

Environmental Intern Position Burlington Board of Health

The Burlington Board of Health is seeking applicants for a temporary, part-time (approximately 14 hours per week) environmental internship. This individual will work under the supervision of the Board of Health and the Environmental Engineer. The intern will work on a variety of local environmental initiatives. Potential duties include: the development of educational materials, project administration, program outreach, data analysis, website development, and emergency planning. Preference will be given to candidates with a science or education background. We are willing to train. Flexible hours and schedule are available This is a paid position. No benefits are associated with this position. Interested parties are encouraged to submit a cover letter and resume to the Burlington Board of Health, Attn: Todd Dresser, 29 Center Street, Burlington, MA 01803. The Town of Burlington is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer.

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2000 JAGUAR S-Type, 4 dr, auto, full pwr., color green. 29K mi. $31,000. Call 781 233-0010.

2000 OLDS Intrigue - 4dr, all pwr, center console, cherry red, 60K hwy mi., ex. cond. Asking $8500. 781-944-1991.

2000 TOYOTA Camry LE gray w/gray cloth int., 36K mi,, pwr, roof, mirrors, driver seat, cruise, CD. Toyota Warranty thru 100K mi, or 3/6/02. Great cond. $18,200/BO. 781 932-8489.

1999 CHEVY Cavalier. Auto, ac, am fm stereo/radio cass., low mi., exc. cond. $5,500. 781-273-0423.,

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85 BEDFORD ST was sold to Ann Marie Cuccinello by Robert P Quattrocchi & Deborah S Quattrocchi for $370,000

31 CRANBERRY LN U:15 was sold Edward Alves Jr & Nona Alves by Robert W Murray Tr & Edward Alves Jr for $408,500

29-31 CRANBERRY LN U:MULTI was sold to Edward Alves Jr & Nona Alves by 15 Vine Brook T, Tr for Robert W Murray Tr for $408,500

14 GAYLAND ST was sold to John M Hanafin & Beverly E Toland by Robert W Murray Tr, Tr for lexington T for $350,000

19 HERITAGE WAY was sold to Jose M Bairos & lida Bairos by James E Royds & Barbara Royds for $389,900

1 KNOLLWOOD CT U:1 was sold to Don R Delhome & Angela M Delhome by K Denise Doyle for $430,000

49 MOUNTAIN RD was sold to John P Tierney & Kimberley A Tierney by Charles R Matarazzo for $370,000

9 SPARHAWK DR was sold to Mandakoladhur Rmurali & Girija Murali , by Barbara L Clifford for $472,500

-LYNNFIELD-

Median Price $362,500

28 SEAVER AVE was sold to Melissa Langone & David Langone by Miriam B Chase for $400,000

47 CANTERBURY RD was sold to Karen L Sablone & Marilyn Lyons by James J Henaghan Jr & James J Henaghan 3rd for $345,000

6 CHATHAM WAY was sold to Girolamo Pellegrini & Rosemary Pellegrini by Evelyn E Rollins for $930,000

175 LOCKSLEY RD was sold to Bruce J Mackey Jr & Joan C Mackey by Christopher W Crews & Maryann P Crews for $630,000

1125 MAIN ST was sold to Leonard P Morrison & Elizabeth W Morrison by Thomas D Flaherty Jr, Tr for 1125 Main Street T for $560,000

2 OXBOW RD was sold to Richard D Kampersal & Sharon M Kampersal by James Crawford Storer & Jennifer S Storer Book/Page for $434,900

1200 SALEM ST U:117 was sold to Joanne M Dyson by Robert J Digiorgio & Ida T Digiorgis for $385,000

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7 BERRIDGE WAY was sold to Nam Tram Dang & Baduyen Ton Dang by David E Murray, Tr for $296.250

20 CLEEK CT U:101 was sold to Burr J Mosher Jr & Joan Mosher by Emily C Doe Tr, Tr for Cleek Ct 20 RT for $410,000

20 EMERSON RD was sold to C And C Solid Homes by Frederick Keyes Jr for $100,000

1 GREENBRIAR DR U:109 was sold to Aleksandre M Pass & Lubov I Reyneke by Margaret Mcnamara for $181,500

227 HAVERHILL ST was sold to Andrew R Fabrizio & Kimberoy A Fabrizio by Sara K Minor for $479,900

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11 ARCADIA AVE was sold to Andrew D Joos & Suzanne M Joos by Kevin R Hanlon & Anne M Hanlon for $450,000

41 BARROWS RD was sold to David B Wall & Julie A Wall by Daniel P Tighe & Lisa A P Tighe for $397,000

29 DIVIDENCE RD was sold to Thomas M Davis & Christina E Davis Timothy Roy Courossi, Tr for Courossi RT for $325,000

85 EASTWAY was sold to Lisa A P Tighe & Daniel P Tighe by David K Blake & Carol J Blake for $775,000

253 FRANKLIN ST was sold to Salvatore Fulchini & Ida Fulchini by Andrew J Campbell & Michelle Campbell for $384,000

27 GLEASON RD was sold to Hesham S Abdeen & Judith C Abdeen by Bradley D Steele, Tr for Steele RT for 425,000

8 GLEN RD was sold to James P Sullivan by Mary Ann Sullivan for $17,000

120 HANSCOM AVE was sold to Andrew J Campbell & Michelle B Campbell by James R Walsh, Ex for Walsh James R Est for $390,000

26 JOHN CARVER RD was sold to Robert M Bowen & Anne L Bowen by Judith M Jeffrey for $419,000

11 LISA LN was sold to John J Klinger & Julie M Klinger by Richard H Denutte & Arleen H Denutte for $490,000

1498 MAIN ST was sold to Michael S Upton & Lynne M Upton by William A Reid for $335,000

26 MILEPOST RD was sold to Jesse C Dimeo & Connie Dimeo by Joseph M Gulino & Susan Gulino for $445,000

5 WASHINGTON ST U:D7 was sold to Joseph L Davanzo by Joseph O Moriarty for $162,000

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97 FORESTST was sold to Blair R Johnson & Jill A Bartolino by Thomas F Bennett 3rd & Sharon L. Bennett for $385,400

10 GREENWAY CIR was sold to James P Dowd & Jane E Dowd for $303,000

518 MAIN ST was sold to Gregory A Dancer & Stephanie V. Gellar for $339,900

146 MARBLE ST U:216A was sold to Kim Mawla by Anthony Rapallo & Kristen S. Rapallo for $241,000

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1337 WHIPPLE RD. was sold to Michael J. Vinai & Sara R. Vinai by Deanna M Leeper & Shannon J. Leeper for $285,000

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91 GOULD ST was sold to David S Keamy by John J Klinger & Julie M Klinger for $300,000

4 HERBERT ST was sold to Antonio Rocha Jr by Reid K Fleming for $459,900

627 MAIN ST was sold to June Sheridan, Tr for 627 Main St RT by Gerardo C Spagnuolo & Alison H Spagnuolo for $725,000

26 OAK ST was sold to Joseph J Tracy & Debra A Tracy by Jean H Carlson for $270,000

18 ORCHARD AVE was sold to Maria D. Sergi & Patricia H Rastellini by John Lasco Tr, Tr for Lasco RT for $335.000

103 PARKER RD was sold to Kenneth W Jenkins & Maureen L Jenkins by Orabella Miquel for $365.000

1 TRAVERSE SI U:E was sold to Winnie Hui-nian LIang & Hui-chuan LIang by Sheila A Hawley for $297,000

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55 NORTH ST was sold to Juan Sanchez & Emma Diaz by Patrica A Gardner, Tr for Tierney FT for $275,000

6 OAKWOOO RD was sold to Kevin M Meeker & Jodi Mackenzie by Charles A Jannone Jr for $219,000

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372 CAMBRIDGE ST was sold to Bradley Maged & Kristina Kes Rost by Herna G Puchulu & Ines M Puchulu for $392,000

14 CANTERBURY RD was sold to David N Landry & Therese Landry by Richard D Malatesta & Susan A Malatesta for $601,000

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6 GODDU AVE was sold to Stephen L Campo & Susan Goobie by Jeffrey B Saef & Bethanne Saef for $915,000

11 HERRICK ST was sold to Christopher Valcourt & Shannon Ericson by Elizabeth F Scott for $154,900

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11 MOUNT PLEASANT ST was sold to Amy H Fitzpatrick by Jerry M Hodges & Rhonda C Hodges for $951,500

2 SUMMIT AVE was sold to Jerry M Hodges & Rhonda M Hodges by Robert M Hallwsey & argaret A Hallwsey for $965,000

25 SUNSET RD was sold to Michael J Percoco & Kendra L Percoco by Louise M Piazza for $415,000

200 SWANTON ST U:405 was sold to Xiaoqing Yang & Yecheng Wu by Kathleen P Maroney for $181,150

488 WASHINGTDN ST was sold to Mark D Waggoner & Janet L Waggoner by Laural C Alexander for $390,000

NO STREET GIVEN was sold to Alfred E. Wechsler & Nancy L. Wechsler by Alexander J. Mckinnon & Deirdre O Mckinnon for $820,000

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Median Price $260,000

27 ARLINGTON RD U:11 was sold to Barbara B Sullivan by Lindsay B Farnum for $180,000

12 ASH ST was sold to Emily P Martell & Scott J Martell by Joseph J Meuse & Ada L Meuse for $314,000

74 BEACH ST U:6-2 was sold to Marc P Ferlo & Kristen Ferlo by William J Kane & Linda Kane for $175,000

11 BEACON ST was sold to Dana Marchant & Stephanie Turner by Barbara J Rotti for $258,000

252 CAMBRIDGE RD was sold to Julianne Toomey kautz & Frank J Kautz-ii by Edna A Wood & Gail L Rossi for $313,500

5 EAGLE RD was sold to Joseph A Sutherby & Robin M Sutherby by Lillian H Naso for $369,900

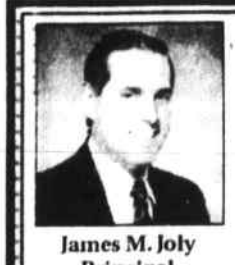
10 EASTERN AVE was sold to Barbara Santomassino & John Santomassino Jr by Carnie J Humke for $320,000

69 ELM ST was sold to James Allen Lowe by Edward W Kennedy & Carol Kennedy for $342,100

474 MAIN ST was sold to Michael Palmer by Rao M V Pamidimukkala & P M V Rao for $350,000

918 MAIN ST was sold to Richard Pesaturo by 918 Main St for $410,000

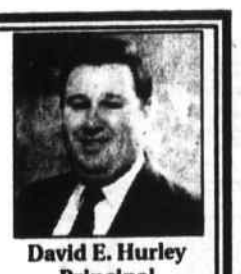
6 WOODSIDE TER was sold to Stephen G Campo by Donald L Nolan Jr for $323,000


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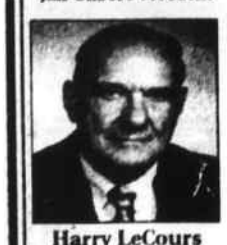

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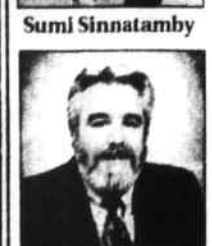

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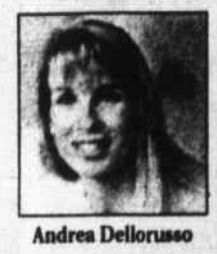

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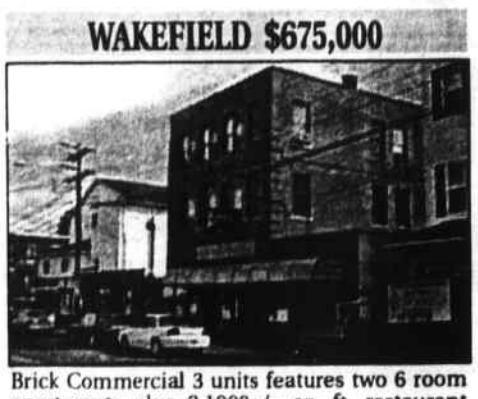
NEW PRICE! Fabulous 4 room, 2 bedroom Townhouse, hardwood flooring, cathedral ceilings, 1.5 baths, appliances included, 2 off street parking, convenient to 93. *Exclusive*

WILMINGTON $339,900



NEW PRICE! Elegant 10 year young 4 bedroom Split Gambrel, oak kitchen with center island, formal dining rm, hardwd, 23x12 front to back living rm & master bedrm, lower level family rm, many amenities.

WAKEFIELD $675,000



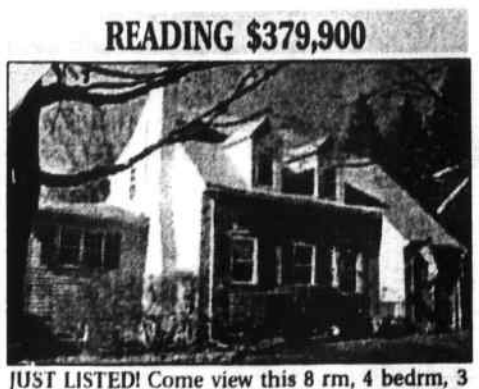
Brick Commercial 3 units features two 6 room apartments plus 2,1000+/- sq. ft. restaurant rental. Restaurant for sale also at $275,000 without name or goodwill. *Exclusive!*

STONEHAM $329,900



NEW PRICE! Sparkling Cape in quiet area, new maple kitchen with ceramic tile, updated bath, hardwood, flexible floor plan, newer windows, new painting inside & out, great yard.

READING $379,900



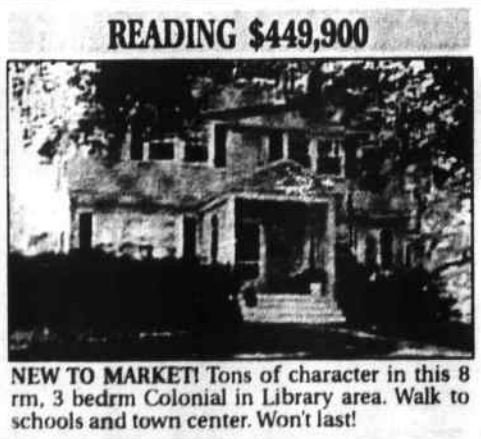
JUST LISTED! Come view this 8 rm, 4 bedrm, 3 bath Custom Cape, fireplaced living rm, family rm, master bedrm & master bath, hardwood flrs, porch overlooking a large private flat back yard.

READING $669,900



NEW TO MARKET! One of Reading's finest. West Side 8 rm, craftsman Colonial on gorgeous half acre. Lovely foyer & staircase, spacious FP LR w/French doors, heated Florida/FR. Huge kitchen w/window seat, 1st flr study, 2 car garage. A must see.

READING $449,900



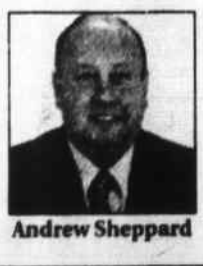
NEW TO MARKET! Tons of character in this 8 rm, 3 bedrm Colonial in Library area. Walk to schools and town center. Won't last!

READING $349,900



NEW PRICE! 7 rm Cape in great West Side area, many updates including new 1st floor family rm, fireplaced living rm, hardwood, new heating, electric, roof & windows, fantastic corner lot on cul de sac, walk to Barrows.


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Chris Mazzotta

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Bells are not the only thing that will jingle this holiday season. By following a few decorating tips, you may hear the sound of leftover change in your pocket.

Here are a few ideas on making a home merry and bright for less money,

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Use antique reproduction sleighs and sleds as table accents on wall and door displays. Fill the sleighs with poinsettias of holly berry sprays.

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Make it a Bright And Beautiful Holiday

Drape inexpensive ne lighting over your bushes. When it comes to the tree, branch out. Decorate outdoor trees with inexpensive ornaments and ribbons.

Purchase a six pack of clear glass ornaments and create your own unique look. Handpaint or fill them with miniature glass ornaments or garlands in all sizes, shapes and colors.

Brighten your lawn with animated reindeer or line your walk with a twinkling candy canes.

Wrap Up Some Savings

Buy decorative tins or baskets to showcase your homemade cookies and candies. At closeout prices, you can taste some delicious savings.



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1st AD! DRAMATIC TOWNHOUSE with 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, FP, C/A, exposed brick wall, soaring ceiling, balcony & deeded parking. Pristine condition. In-town location! **$314,000**

Call Cheryl Volpe x237


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READING



NEEDS TLC but worth the effort! Super lot & loc makes this 6 rm, 1.5 bath Cape a super investment! **$359,900**

BOXFORD



WARMTH & CHARM in every corner of this spacious & tastefully redone 9 rm, 5 bedrm, 3 bath Colonial on storybook lot! **$625,000**

READING



SPARKLING UPDATED COL, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, large designer kitchen w/French doors to fenced back yard. Convenient location! **$369,900**

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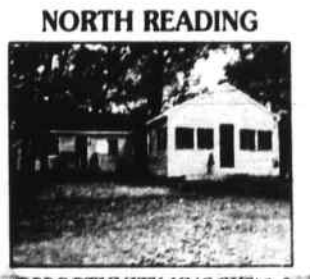
DESIRABLE GARDEN style condo on ground level @ Summit Village, 5 rms, in mint condition, FP LR, 2 bedrms, 2 full baths & attached garage. **$309,900**

READING



WEST SIDE GRACIOUS Johnston built 9 rm Col. MBR w/cath ceil & FP, 2.5 baths, 2 c att. garage plus 3rd flr bonus. In-ground heated pool & more. **$649,900**

NORTH READING



OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS! 2-3 bedroom Ranch with views of Martin's pond. Large eat-in kitchen, a great fixer upper. **$199,900**


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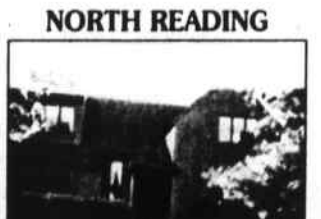

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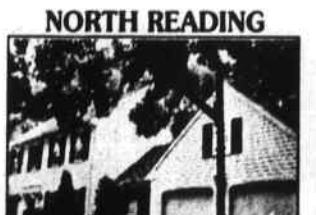

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A REAL DOLLHOUSE! Great for 1 or 2, cathedral ceiling, HW, eat-in kitchen & MBR loft. Shows like new! **$229,900**

NORTH READING



TURNER FARM 3 bedrm Wills built Contemp. in fabulous No. Reading neighborhd. Needs TLC, HW flrs, soaring ceiling, 2 car gar & 1/2 acre corner lot. **$400's**

READING



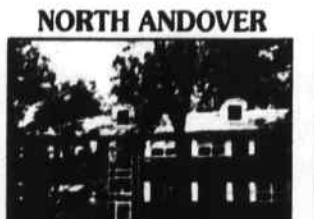
CHARMING 8 RM Cape features 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, FP LR, den, farmers porch. Top Birchmeadow loc! **$399,900**

NORTH READING



BEAUTIFUL 3 BEDRM, 1.5 BATH RANCH with newer kitchen, granite counters, sec. system, C/V, sprinklers, 6 panel doors & 15K lot. **$359,900**

WAKEFIELD



DELIGHTFUL RANCH! Dolbeare school, new windows & wall to wall, 6 rooms, 2 bedrms & 1 bath, level lot & great neighborhood. **$339,900**

READING



SPOTLESS CAPE in quiet Reading neighborhood. Formal LR & DR, updated kitchen & bath plus garage for those winter mornings! **$309,900**

NORTH READING



1st AD @ NEW PRICE! "The Greens." Wonderful 2 bedrm, 2 bath Townhouse features sunrm, large deck, 1 car gar. Don't Wait! **$359,900**

NORTH READING



IMMACULATE 1 OWNER CE COL in family neighborhood. Huge formal LR & DR, wood flrs, counter kitchen & great lot. **$564,900**

NORTH READING



BEST VALUE! 8 room, 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, garage, level lot, sewer septic, HW & more. Move-in! Priced Right! **$329,900**

WILMINGTON



NO THRU STREET TRAFFIC! Spacious Colonial, 3 bedrms, hdwd flrs, maintenance free siding. Waiting for your decorating ideas! **$289,900**

NORTH ANDOVER



NICE 2 BEDROOM CONDO with many updates. Pets OK, attic storage, balcony & pretty wooded setting. "Can close quickly." **$174,900**

READING

WELL, WELL, WELL, WELL LOC! Well built, well maintained spacious Cape, 3 bedrm, gleaming hdwd flrs. Close to schools! **$334,900**

READING

JUST ADD 1 FAM to this spacious 3 bedrm Colonial, large fam kit, FR, DR, newer deck to large level yard & great neighborhood. **$339,900**

MEDFORD

MINT 9 RM, 3 bedrm Col, 1.5 bath, garage, HW, newer kit, off street parking, easy access to Boston. A real deal! **$339,900**

STONEHAM

YOU'LL ENJOY THE HOLIDAYS in this 8 rm, 3 bedrm, 2 bath, 2 car gar S/E with flair for entertaining. 6 yrs young. "Can close quickly." **$489,900**

WAKEFIELD

CHARMING GARRISON COL features 7 rooms, 3 large bedrms, formal FP LR & DR, 1.5 baths, breezeway & 1 car garage. **$420's**

GLOUCESTER

BEACHFRONT CASTLE with 4-6 bedrms, 3 baths, master suite, granite construction, yellow pine floors. The perfect castle. **$2,800,900**

METHUEN

4 BEDROOM CAPE on 1 acre lot in wonderful neighborhood. Building potential. **$259,900**

PEABODY

CONTEMPORARY W/OVER 3000 sq. ft. in West Peabody. Privacy galore. All amenities. Must be seen. **$629,900**

NORTH READING

OUTSTANDING 9 rm Col. on beautiful lot in Ridgeway Estates. **$724,900**

WAKEFIELD - HOUSE RENTAL

WEST SIDE 7 rm Col., 3 bedrm, 1.5 bath, garage, finished basement, screened porch, updated! **$1800/ Mon + utilities**

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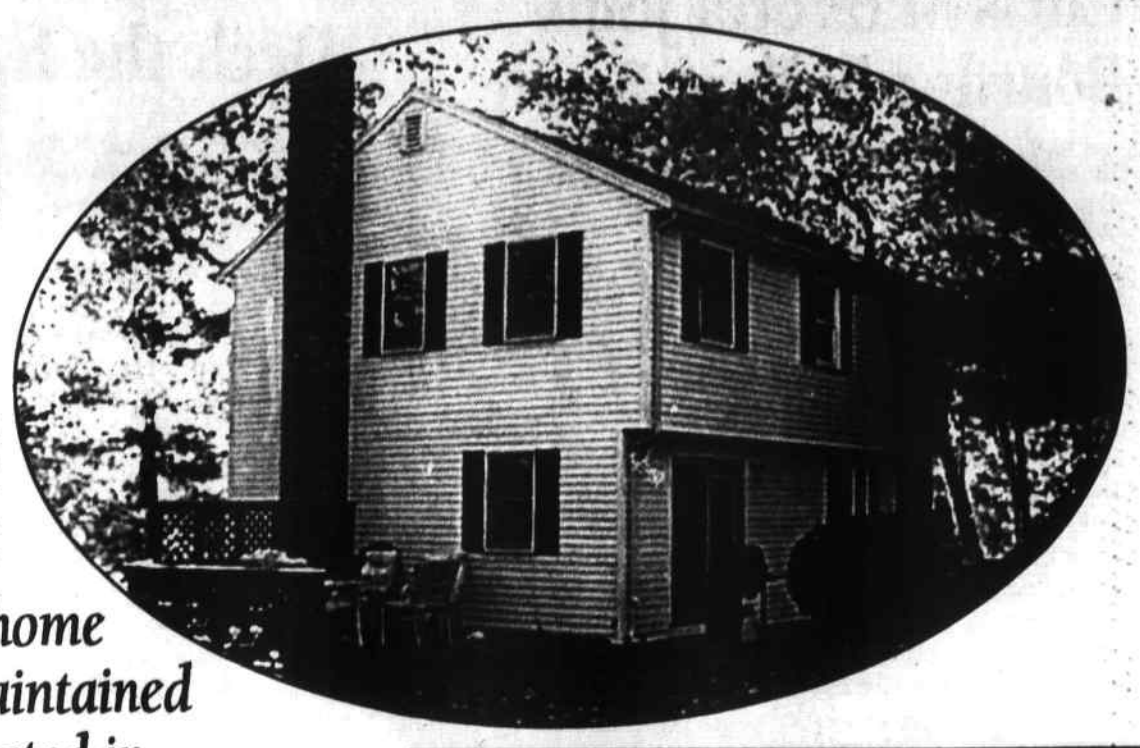
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REAL ESTATE SAMPLER — THIS WEEK Wakefield

A house for a lifetime



Beauty and grace meet in this stunning seven room Colonial situated in a very private and serene Wakefield setting.

The lovely wooded lot provides the perfect backdrop for this splendid lifetime home, offering the feel of peaceful seclusion and restful solitude. Yet, at the same time, one will appreciate the outstanding location that conveniently places shops, restaurants and more near.

Lovingly maintained, this splendid home reflects owner's pride throughout all of its inviting, sun-bright rooms. An abundance of new features await, including a brand new elegant eat-in kitchen, complete with top-of-the-line stainless steel appliances, all of which are included in the sale. A breakfast bar, beautiful granite countertops and a custom designed ceramic tile and granite floor add a further note of character and style to this spacious room.

There is ample room for a kitchen table if one so desires. A lovely window allows for generous sunlight and overlooks the backyard. A new half bath with ceramic tile floor and pedestal sink is found adjacent to the kitchen.

The 21'x12' living room boasts gleaming new ash floors as does the formal dining room. Lovely French doors lead from the dining room to the privacy of your backyard. These two gracious rooms provide the perfect place for entertaining family and guests alike.

A grand staircase leads to the second level where three generously sized bedrooms are found. The master bedroom offers a double closet, plus you will find more than ample closet space in the two additional bedrooms.

This home offers terrific storage space throughout and also boasts the benefit of a pull-down attic. A new full custom tile bath offering every convenience is also found on this level.

The impressive 23'x15' family room on the lower level provides the perfect spot for rest and relaxation. It offers a full brick wall with fireplace and a walk-out to the side yard.

A care-free vinyl sided exterior means fewer worries and less work outside. In addition to a deck, one will also find a storage shed at the rear of the yard. A four+ car driveway takes care of any parking needs.

This exceptional Wakefield home is currently listed with ERA Andrew/Schmid Realty for $435,000 and may be privately viewed by calling 781-438-7220.

This home is well maintained and located in a very private setting





THE BRAND NEW KITCHEN (above and above right) has a breakfast bar for casual dining. There is also plenty of room for a kitchen table for the family to gather around for a meal..



AT A RECENT Eastern Middlesex Association of Realtors dinner meeting at the Hillview Country Club in North Reading, Realtor Community Service Chair Rick Nazzaro presented a $1,500 check to Anna Beardsley of Hospice Care, Inc. of Stoneham. The RCS Committee has worked very hard this year, with excellent results. A recently held comedy night raised the funds for Hospice Care, Inc. The RCS Committee has raised a total of almost $25,000 this year for various organizations. Pictured left to right: EMAR Executive Officer Carol Shapiro, EMAR President Elaine Hoff, Anna Beardsley of Hospice Care, Inc. and RCS Committee Chair Rick Nazzaro.

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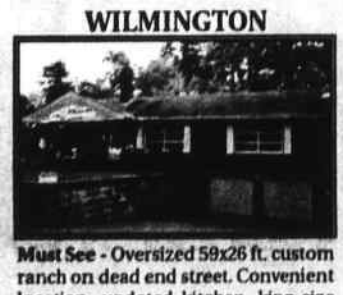


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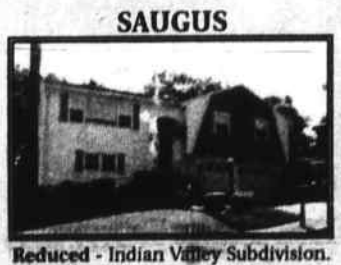
New Construction - Private setting. 9 rm, 4 bedrm, 2-1/2 bath Colonial with zero clearance FP to be built. Two car garage, family rm, central air, hardwood, ceramic tile. Spring Delivery.
$569,900 Call Joan x211

WILMINGTON



Must See - Oversized 59x26 ft. custom ranch on dead end street. Convenient location, updated kitchen, king size master with bath, hdwd flrs, fp living room, deck, 2 car under & more.
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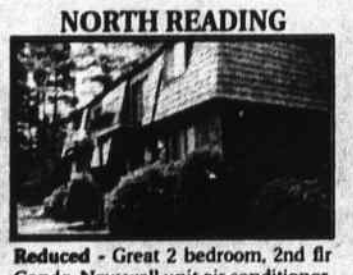
Reduced - Indian Valley Subdivision. Meticulous 7 room, 3 bedroom Split. 2 car garage under, Florida room, deck, hardwd floors, family room/wood burning stove, wet bar/in refrigerator. Must see.
$429,900 Call Joan x211

MIDDLETON



New Adult 55+ Community - Third phase under construction. Garden style units, 2 bedrms, 1-3/4 baths, attached 1 car garage. Anticipated Spring Delivery on this next building.
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Reduced - Great 2 bedroom, 2nd flr Condo. New wall unit air conditioner, stove & dishwasher, new rugs in living rm & master bedrm. Slider to patio. A must see!
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• Respect your tools: We've all been there...trying to cut or bore through something that your saw or drill wasn't made to handle. If you misuse your tool by forcing it during tough applications, you're subtracting even more time from your battery's life.

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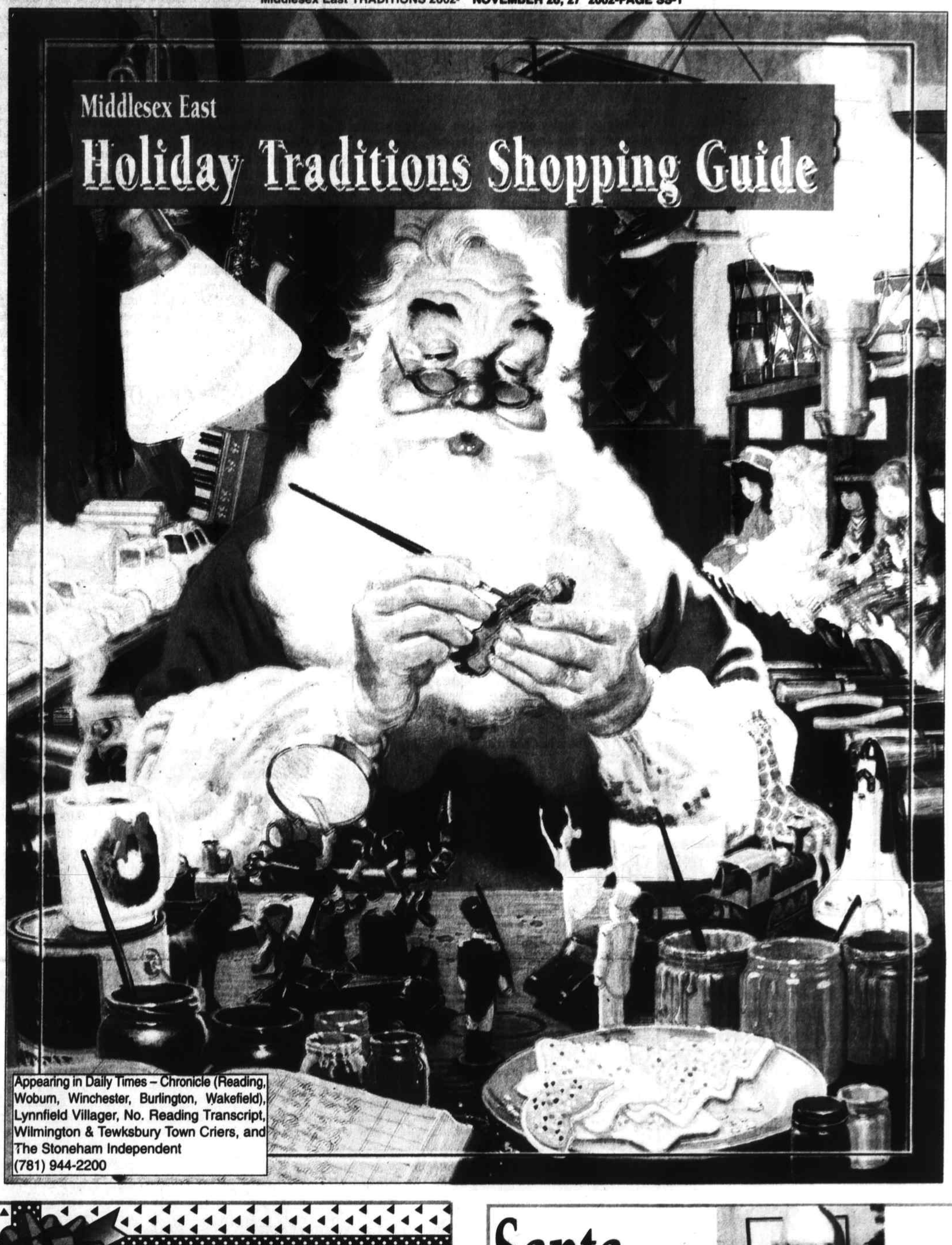
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Traditions: The history of Christmas gift & card exchange

From candy canes to brightly decorated gingerbread houses to Santa Claus on every street corner, the holiday season brings some wonderful things. However, it also ushers in many time-consuming tasks — cooking the holiday meal, picking out the Christmas tree, and especially, buying the perfect gifts for loved ones and writing out holiday cards to faraway friends and family members.

Have you ever wondered about the origin of exchanging gifts and cards? According to Donald E. Dossey, Ph.D, author of "Holiday Folklore, Phobias and Fun" (Outcomes Unlimited Press Inc.), by the 12th century, the practice of giving gifts had become common on Christmas, as well as on New Year's Day.

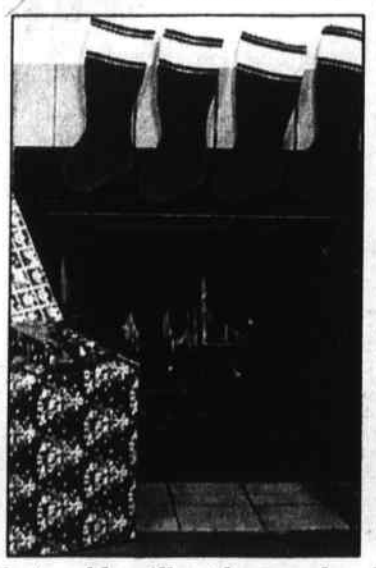
"It was believed to have come from the scriptural account, in Matthew 2:11, of the Three Magi who offered gold, frankincense, and myrrh to the Christ Child," says Dossey.

The origin of sending Christmas cards, he says, began in England. "Edna Barth in 'Holly, Reindeer, and Colored Lights: The Story of Christmas Symbols,' says that in England, schoolboys away from home sent Christmas letters to their parents." The letters were printed on paper that had Bible scenes on it, written in their best penmanship. In the hopes of receiving money and gifts, they would tell their parents of their progress at school.

It was in 1839, after the introduction of the penny post in England, that the true Christmas card tradition of sending cards to loved ones developed. "One thousand copies of the card designed for Sir Henry Cole were sold. Usually regarded as the first of its kind, it was made by J.C. Horsley, a member of the Royal Academy," says Dossey. In spite of its success, the custom did not become widespread in America until after the English royal family began sending cards.

A closer look at folklore

Superstitions and folklore have a way of patterning our lives — from avoiding black cats to walking around ladders. Christmas is a time for cheer, but it also is filled with lots of folklore. The following "Christmas Magic" is courtesy of "Holiday Folklore, Phobias and Fun" (Outcomes Unlimited Press Inc.), by Donald E. Dossey, Ph.D.



- Roasting chestnuts in a open fire, named for the available persons you know is a great divination ploy. The first one that pops will be the one you marry.
- If there is a full moon on Christmas, expect a poor harvest.
- If you do any household repairs on Christmas Day, the trouble will not be cured and even may get worse.
- Hang a sprig of mistletoe over the door. It will chase away the evil spirits and bring good luck.
- If you were born on Christmas Day, your life will be a happy and healthy one.
- Keep your Yule log burning all night. If it goes out, expect bad luck.
- Eat plenty of pies on Christmas. It is believed to bring good luck.

Tech gift giving makes it easy

Technology is supposed to make life a little easier. However, when it comes to shopping for high-tech gifts, from CDs to DVDs, minidiscs and MP3 players — the sheer variety of items to choose from can make the task at hand anything but easy.

But wait — there's hope. Use this list of some of this season's entertainment must-haves as a guide:

- DVD players — VHS, once the superstars of home video are definitely on their way out. The crisp sound and superior picture quality — not to mention all those cool interactive features that don't fit on cassettes — make DVDs and players a smart choice for gift-giving.
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When it comes time to buy presents for seniors, the task can be quite a challenge. It's easy to buy them the same thing year after year, and many seniors are more interested in giving than in receiving more gifts. Today's seniors are also healthier and more active than ever, and gifts should reflect that changing attitude. Here are a few ideas to get you started when holiday shopping for the favorite senior in your life, whether it is a parent, grandparent, next-door neighbor or friend.

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• Anything involving the grandchildren is sure to be a winner. Have them draw a picture, call, or send a note.

• Have old photographs copied or restored.

• For crafty types, make your own afghan blanket, quilt or throw.

• Put together an updated family photo album, or have your family pose for portraits. Put the photos in frames decorated by the kids.

• Create a calendar using family photos. Most photo developing stores can create one for a moderate price.

• Put together your own personalized recipe box or album with family favorites and a few of your own special recipes.

PRACTICAL GIFTS

• Installing a railing for outdoor steps can provide safety and peace-of-mind.

• An air-purifying system can be especially helpful for seniors with asthma.

• Pre-pay long distance or cable services

• Gift certificate for a monthly housecleaning (to be done by you or a cleaning service).

• A bathtub railing can be a life-saving gift.

• Install a home alarm system for seniors living alone.

• A coupon book will last for many months after the holidays.

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A simpler family celebration

Don't forget to savor the unique meaning behind the holidays. It's not all about receiving gifts and gorging on delicious treats, but rather about discovering new ways to exemplify the holiday spirit.

Here are several tips for enjoying a simpler, more meaningful holiday.

1. Slow down. Have a family meeting to plan what everyone wants to do. Mark decisions on a family calendar and limit yourself to these activities.

2. If you know a single parent, offer to take his or her children shopping, or to babysit while he or she shops.

3. Hold down spending. Add up all the things you plan to spend money on this season — from the total, subtract 20 percent and decide how to share it with someone who truly needs it.

4. Ask the oldest adults you know to tell what Christmas or Hanukkah was like when they were young.

5. Count your blessings: make a list of all the joyous things that have happened to your family this year. Offer a prayer of thanks.

6. Make an audio tape to send to someone who is far away who would love to hear from you.

7. Instead of fighting the mall crowds, shop catalogs instead.

8. Draw names for gifts rather than giving a gift to everyone on your list. Give children one thing they really want instead of many gifts.

9. Make family coupon books with coupons for services you are willing to provide, to be "cashed in" when the recipient needs them within a specified time period.

10. When the family gathers to celebrate Hanukkah, Kwanzaa or Christmas, sit in a circle and ask each person to begin a sentence with "I am glad that ..." The family responds to each statement with. "We are glad!"

11. Promise to teach a new skill to someone in January — a child to ride a bike or an older person to use a computer.

12. Force fruit blossoms: plant a sprig of plum, apple or lilac in wet sand December 1. Place in a sunlit window and water regularly.

13. Look through the snapshots you took last summer. Add funny captions and send to friends instead of cards.

14. Go as a family to help serve a meal at a homeless shelter. Place a candy cane and a handwritten greeting at each place setting. Talk about the experience on the way home.

15. Take the whole family including the family pets to visit a nursing home. Practice in advance some questions to ask and some jokes or poems to share.

16. Declare one night a week as family work night. Make this a time for baking cookies, creating and addressing greeting cards, singing carols or doing a craft project.

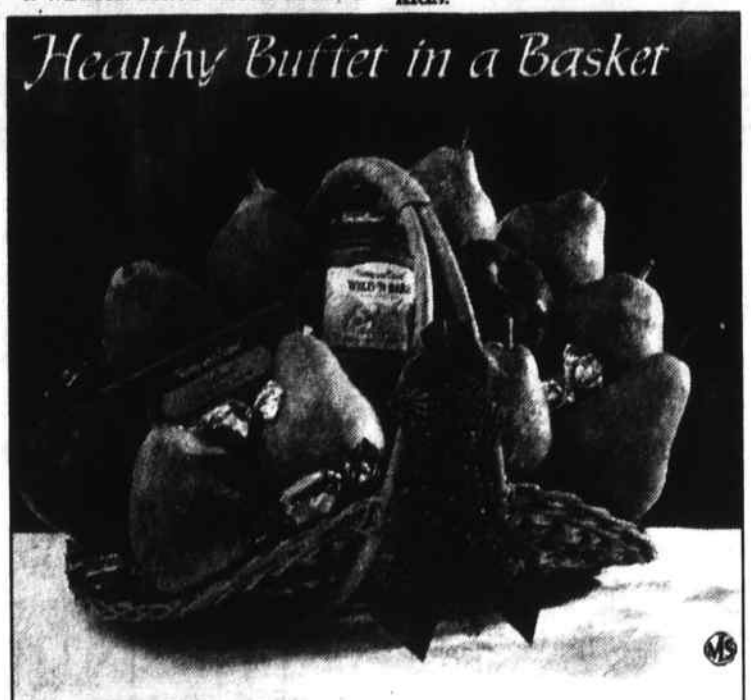
17. Reach out in friendship to forgotten persons in your community. Invite them to go with you to see the holiday displays in store windows or a live nativity. Or invite them to attend a worship service, a concert, or to watch a television special with you.

18. Ask an immigrant family or an international student to tell about holiday celebrations in their native country. Mark your calendar for a date in January when you will connect with this person again.

19. Take someone who can no longer drive for a ride to see the holiday decorations around town.

20. Make a few changes this year, add more the next. That way, you'll gradually build a tradition of simpler, less stressful celebrations that everyone in the family can enjoy.

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College students home for the holidays have probably discovered that their dorm rooms don't clean themselves. By now they might really appreciate a compact Mighty Mite canister to pick up the popcorn and clean up the car.

After Shopping Treat

Sometimes there is nothing better than a frosty dessert to put you in a good mood. No need to voyage out to your local ice cream shop; it's easy to make this whipped delight at home with just a few ingredients.

Peanuts have long been a popular topping to desserts, and peanut butter and chocolate are nearly synonymous with delicious. Try a Peanut Butter Chocolate Twist Shake at your child's next birthday party or when you need a treat for yourself, as a refreshing wrap-up to a meal or just to satisfy your own sweet tooth.

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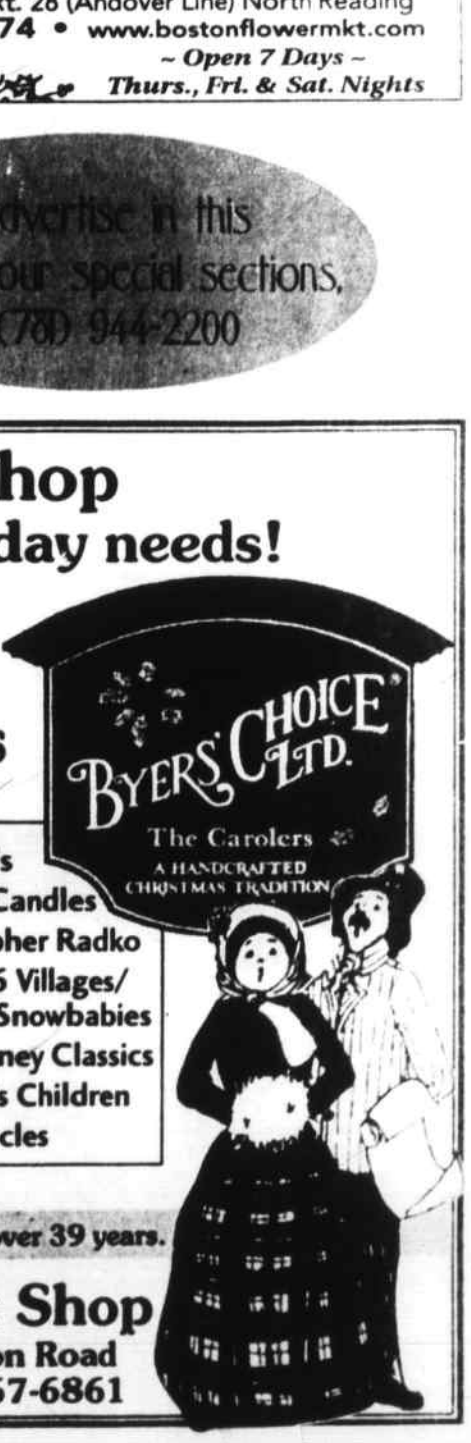
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Holiday Entertainment starts here...

With crisp weather and falling leaves, the holiday season is upon us. As a prelude to family feasts and special parties, lists pour from our fingertips: What food and ingredients do we need to buy? What will everyone want to drink? What can we take as a hostess gift?

To help take the stress out of entertaining, Robyn Mather and Dion Vieira, owners and proprietors of the Wine Shop of Reading, are prepared to help customers select wines and specialty foods to complement holiday menus.

"It can be difficult to select the perfect wine for a holiday dinner," Robyn says. "Complex flavors and textures - like dark meat turkey, ham, prime rib, rich gravies and cream sauces, varied stuffing recipes, candied yams, tart cranberries - all scream for different wines."

The Wine Shop's tasting team has some 15 holiday wine recommendations - most under $20 a bottle - to please nearly every palate and pocket book. Both red and white wines go well with turkey, Dion and Robyn say. The best whites to pair with turkey are tangy, fruity ones with a medium weight and nice aroma, like Viognier, Riesling and Gewurtztriminer. For red wine, look to a full-bodies Syrah or Zinfandel; young, medium-bodied reds like Beaujolais and Pinot Noir complement turkey and ham. The shop's wines range from a $6/bottle South African Chardonnay to a $180/bottle French Champagne.

"It's nice to serve several different wines so people can mix and match them with different food flavors," Robyn notes. "Its also good to serve lively, light, uncomplicated wines with a heavy Thanksgiving meal - so everyone's not asleep by 3 o'clock!"

Dion and Robyn, a husband and wife team with years of experience in the food and hospitality industries, strive to create an atmosphere that is fun, unpretentious and inviting. With the variety of food products now available locally, they say it's possible to live the gourmet life without spending hours in the kitchen. For instance, from the Wine Shop's assortment of specialty foods, customers can create culinary delights like fig and goat cheese tartlets, Vermont cheddar topped with farmhouse chutney, or Spanish Manchego cheese drizzled with honey and walnuts. The shop's staff can recommend savory condiments, olives and pates, fine oils and vinegars, and teas and cookies to enliven any holiday table. They can also suggest unique hostess gifts and create custom gift baskets.

"Like our customers, we're interested in what makes an occasion special - whether it's entertaining 20 or an evening at home watching a video," Dion says. "We want people to find something here that will delight them."

For more recommendations for holiday entertaining, stop in at The Wine Shop of Reading, 676 Main Street, call 781-944-4521, fax 781-944-4521, or email thewineshop@rcn.com.



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The performance will be presented by the WBC's students, whose ages range from 3 to 17 and guest dancers from the Boston Conservatory. Ten year old Kate Collins from Reading will dance the role of Clara at 6:00 p.m.

The WBC was established nine years ago to offer the community the opportunity to study the art of classical ballet and related dance disciplines with a professionally trained and experienced faculty. The conservatory continues its studies under the new artistic director, Isil Avci.

Ms. Avci has studied ballet for 20 years and has a Bachelors of Fine Arts from the Boston Conservatory. She studied and danced with the principles and soloists from Kirov Ballet, Boston Ballet, New York City Ballet and Paris Opera Ballet. She has been a principle dancer for the Boston Dance Company for the past six years. She has been coached by world-renowned dancers including Maria Calegari, Laura Young, Deborah Wingert, Bart Cook and Marie-Christine Mous.

The WBC has brought guest instructors from Boston Ballet and plans to keep this tradition for the next dance season. Classes for the next semester will start on January 9. For more information, please contact WBC at 781-775-3948.

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TRADITIONS SPECIAL SECTION

Activewear and more support for larger women

The holiday season is quickly approaching and before you know it, you'll find yourself at the mall along with hundreds of shoppers, anxiously searching for the perfect gift for that special woman in your life — mom, wife, daughter, sister or friend. Tired of the runaround? Maybe it's time to do something different this year and shop from the comfort of your home. Junonia, a catalog company that offers active and casual wear for women size 14 and up, may be your ticket to a holiday shopping utopia.

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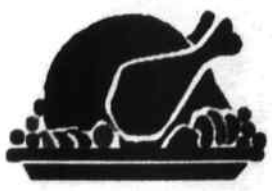


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Have a Safe & Happy Holiday Season!

Holiday Pet Safety

Here come the Holidays! Each year during the various holiday seasons, thousands of pets are seriously injured and or become deathly ill. So here's a list of useful tips on how to keep your four-legged friends safe during the holiday season.

• Holiday costumes for your pets may be cute at get-togethers or in family photos, but pet owners should be wary of costumes which have rubber bands to keep them securely in place on the pet.

If rubber bands are accidentally left on the pet after the fun of dressing up is over, the pet could chew off and swallow them, causing choking and/or intestinal injuries. And, too, the bands can become embedded into the pet's flesh.

• Don't leave the candies out - most animals love the sweet taste, especially chocolate. Chocolate is often fatal to animals, especially cats and dogs, if consumed in a large quantities.

• The foil wraps on candies can cause internal injuries if swallowed - the foil can be like a razor as it is swallowed and ingested. Keep all candies and their wrappers in a secured place.

• Other holiday treats, alcoholic beverages, rich, fatty food scraps and bones can be harmful or toxic to pets. Keep your pet on his regular diet and caution visitors against giving your pet "special treats."

• Keep a close eye on all candles - pets are attracted to the bright "lights" in a darkened room. Not only could they receive serious burns, but they could knock the candles over, spilling hot wax onto furniture and carpeting. Don't leave candles unattended for their sake and for the obvious fire hazards.

• All other decorations should be carefully placed so that the pets can't pull or scratch off any small pieces to swallow.

• Cover or tack down electrical cords.

• Pets' highly sensitive noses pick up scents before humans can. Therefore, don't be surprised when Fluffy and Fido are underfoot in the kitchen while holiday goodies are being prepared. Watch those hot containers filled with turkey and ham drippings. The pets can easily tip them over causing severe scalding and burns to themselves.

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For over 25 years, the Albany Berkshire Ballet has been presenting its Nutcracker production to audiences throughout New England and New York, incorporating local children into the cast. Thanks to the sponsoring of the North Reading School of Ballet, the Albany Berkshire Ballet has been presenting their annual Nutcracker at Andover's Collins Center for the Performing Arts. This year, for their Collins Center production, more than 170 children from as far away as Newton, MA and Salem, NH came to audition for the opportunity to dance with this professional ballet company. These students represent 25 different dance schools.

This year Rachel Moda and Maura Guthrie of North Reading and Katie McNamara of Stoneham will dance the lead children's role of Clara. Rachel is the eleven-year-old daughter of Frank and Sherri Moda, 45 Spruce Road North Reading, Maura is the twelve-year-old daughter of Lorraine and Tom Guthrie, 39 Kings Row North Reading, and Katie is the thirteen-year-old daughter of Mary and Mike McNamara, 2 Poplar Street, Stoneham.

In an exciting addition to the normal cast of local performing roles, three North Reading School of ballet students will be dancing in the "Waltz of the Flowers" with the corps de ballet of the Albany Berkshire Ballet. These students are Jeanette Gentile, Laura Demiano, and Kristen Shaw who have been training under the direction of Lisa Pulver, Director of North Reading School of Ballet.

For the past 6 years, Lisa Pulver and her staff hosted the auditions held by representatives from the Albany Berkshire Ballet and rehearsed the local cast for four weekends. This year there will be three performances at the Collins Center at Andover High School: 3 & 7 p.m. Saturday December 7 and 1 p.m. on Sunday December 8.

For further information about attending the production or buying advance tickets please call 1-800-476-6964. Additional tickets will be available at the box office one hour before each performance.

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THE DANCE ROLE OF CLARA in the Nutcracker is from left to right are: Rachel Moda, Katie McNamara and Maura Guthrie\

Wake Up to a New Kind of Sleepover Comfort

Do you remember the fun of those old-fashioned sleepovers of your childhood? Back then, few things could match the excitement of "camping out" on the floor with your friends as you shared secrets, games and plenty of laughs. But the truth of the matter is that no matter how much fun you had during the party, chances are you felt pretty stiff after spending the night on a cold, hard floor in and old-fashioned sleeping bag. Wouldn't those sleepovers have been so much better if everyone could've brought their own bed?

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The Christmas tree is the star of the season and handmade ornaments are especially cherished. To make your own, purchase inexpensive, clear glass ornaments or glass shapes, available at your local craft store, and dress them up with Krylon® Glass Paints. The easy-to-use, spray-on finishes include the warm glow of Stained Glass Color in six holiday hues; the soft shimmer of Frosted Glass Finish in colors like pearl, red and green; and Looking GlassTM Mirror-Like Paint.

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If you're really short of time, do what the elves do — purchase ready-made ornaments and personalize them with Krylon® Leafing Pens. Use premium, metallic pens to add names, dates and holiday motifs. For more colorful embellishments, try Krylon® Short Cuts® Hobby/Craft Paint Pens in 20 different colors.

For an easy decorating idea, use the finished ornaments to dress up the house; pile them in a glass bowl; glue or wire them to a wreath; or hang in windows, from a mantel or staircase railing.

Once the tree is decorated, think creatively about what goes under the tree. Shop for gently used treasures that in just a few hours can be transformed into one-of-a-kind gifts that won't break your budget. What mom-to-be wouldn't cherish a refurbished rocker? Or maybe a newly painted table and chair set would delight a little niece or nephew. A first-time homeowner would love the coffee table or bookcase you custom-painted in one easy afternoon. Other gift-giving finds include lamps, vases, planters, baskets, desk accessories, picture frames, end tables and bureaus. Compatible with almost any surface, Krylon® Home DécorTM latex spray paints are easily up to the task. The paints require minimal surface preparation, clean up with soap and water and have a pleasing floral scent — ideal for indoor time projects.

Once your gifts are finished here's an easy tip for creating inexpensive wrapping paper. Krylon® Webbing Spray in gold and silver adds holiday elegance to inexpensive grown or white craft paper. Or, make custom wrap fast with holiday stencils and spray paint. Don't forget the matching gift cards, greeting cards and thank-you notes.



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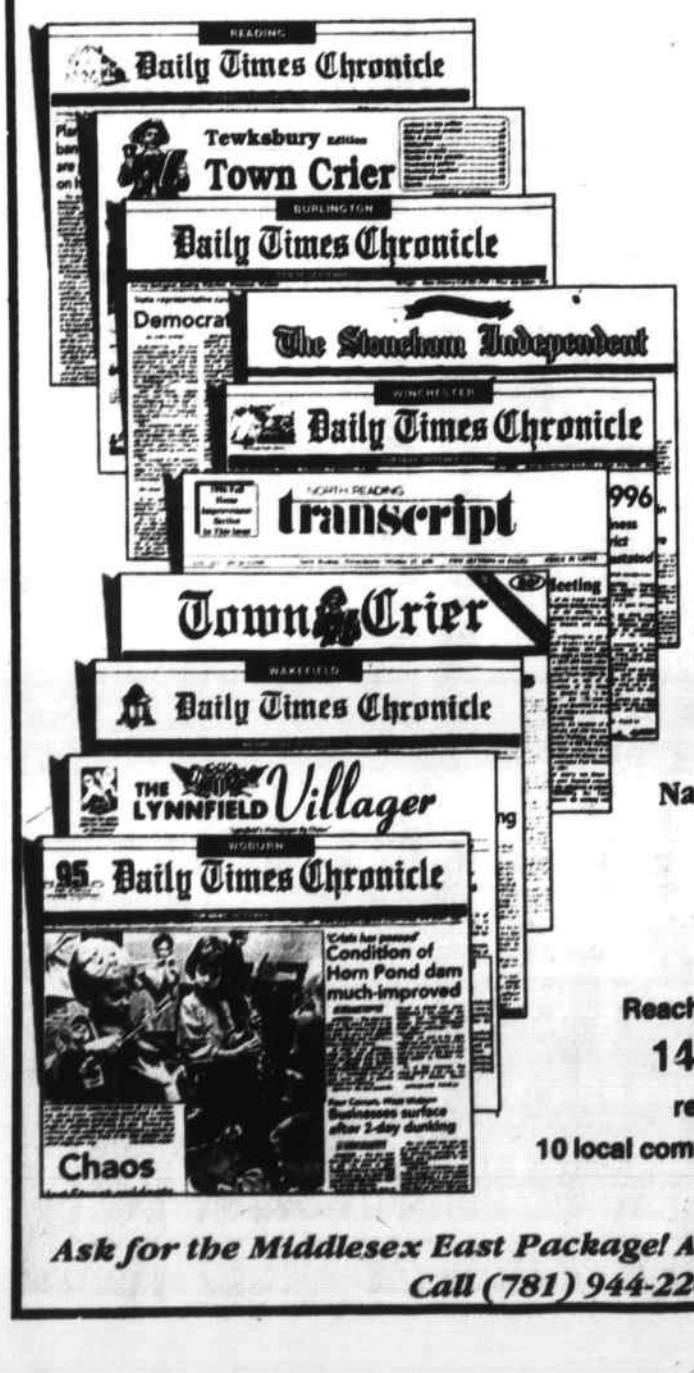
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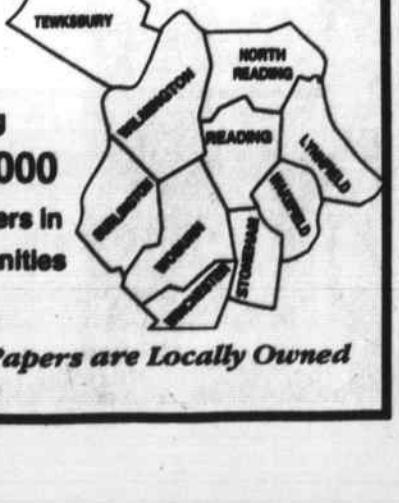


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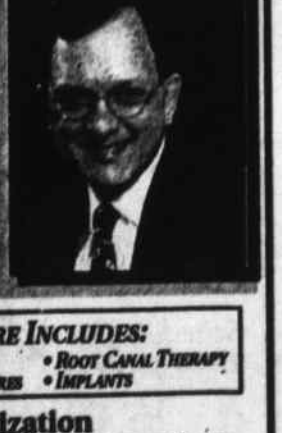
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City sidewalks, busy sidewalks, dressed in holiday style ., and shoppers heading to the mall in droves to find the perfect gift for friends and loved ones. One of the first places people go is to the clothing stores, brimming with sales. However, clothing shopping for friends or family members can be difficult, particularly if you're not sure of their sizes and style preferences. How many times have you found yourself looking around the store for someone who looks about the same size as your intended recipient?

An easier alternative to "guess-timating" someone's size and style sense may be to look for the accessories that add the perfect finishing touch to any ensemble.

This season's most exciting accessories are inspired by the Bohemian jet set look of the early 1970s, seen everywhere from the glossy pages of fashion magazines to Hollywood film premieres. Take a gander at these ideas from the experts at the Accessories Council:

• It's all about suede — This fabric is back in a big way, serving as a main component of the "Hippie de Luxe" look this year. Suede fringed bags, knee-high boots and fringed belts offer the ultimate in gift-giving.

• Gift Wrap — Superb for adding a touch of sophistication to cool weather dressing, wraps are still a popular fashion choice. Highly versatile, they look equally at home over an elegant suit or a pair of favorite jeans — an ideal cover-up choice for a night out at theatre or the movies. Idea: capitalize on the current rage for suede and hippie couture with a fringed wrap.

• Think antique — Scour thrift stores, consignment shops or even a relative's jewelry box for brightly beaded fun jewelry. Antique brass chandelier earrings or a smoked topaz and turquoise necklace offer a touch of "swing and shimmer" detailing to any style palette.

• Shake, tassle and roll — Accessories that shake, shimmer or jingle are definite must-haves. A large eye-catching piece is more effective than several smaller ones.

• Cool it with color — Muted, earth tones complement just about any complexion. Browse for items in moss, chocolate, tawn and copper for the ideal additions to a subtle look.



Clockwise from top left: Loden green suede fringed bag with tooled trim by Helen Welsh; Antique brass, smoked topaz and turquoise necklace with detachable pendant by Liz Palacios; Suede "Marvelous" boot in chocolate by Isaac Mizrahi; Chocolate calf suede fringed belt with hand-wrapped brass rings Ellen Tracy; Antique brass and garnet chandelier earrings by Liz Palacios; Loden pointelle tights by Ellen Tracy; Cognac fringed suede wrap by Helen Welsh.

Have a Safe & Happy Holiday Season!

Pets
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plus the fact that the rich stock and drippings can easily upset pets' digestive systems.

• Don't give your pet large quantities of cooked turkey and ham during the holidays. Again, human food is too rich; overfeeding of human food can cause additional health problems and feeding human food will often lead to unsatisfactory eating habits when given pet food at their regular mealtimes. Consumption of human food can also result in pitiful begging, an aggravating habit hard to break, when the family sits down for meals.

• Bones are dangerous! Do not ever feed your pet a bone, especially poultry bones. Poultry bones splinter easily - each year thousands of pets are treated for consumption of splintered bones, causing pain and sometimes death. Stick to the rawhide variety instead.

• Metal ornament hooks can get caught in curious mouths. Use ribbon or yarn instead of hooks to hang your ornaments.

• A Christmas tree should stand on a flat, wide base. You may also want to anchor the tree with fishing line tied to a drapery rod, a ceiling or wall hook. Cats often see trees as excellent climbing posts. Whether your tree is live or artificial, both kinds of needles are indigestible.

• Cover your tree stand tightly with skirting. The water from the tree base can cause mouth sores, vomiting, diarrhea, and loss of appetite.

• Refrain from using edible ornaments on your tree. They can pose an irresistible temptation for some pets.

• The lovely bubbling holiday lights are moderate to lethal toxicity, depending on the amount of fluid (methylene chloride) inhaled or ingested.

• Do not use angel hair (spun glass) - low toxicity; can cause irritation of the eyes, skin and gastrointestinal tract. Artificial snow and snow flock also has low toxicity - dry particles are inert; however, toxicity from inhalation can occur if spayed directly in the mouth.

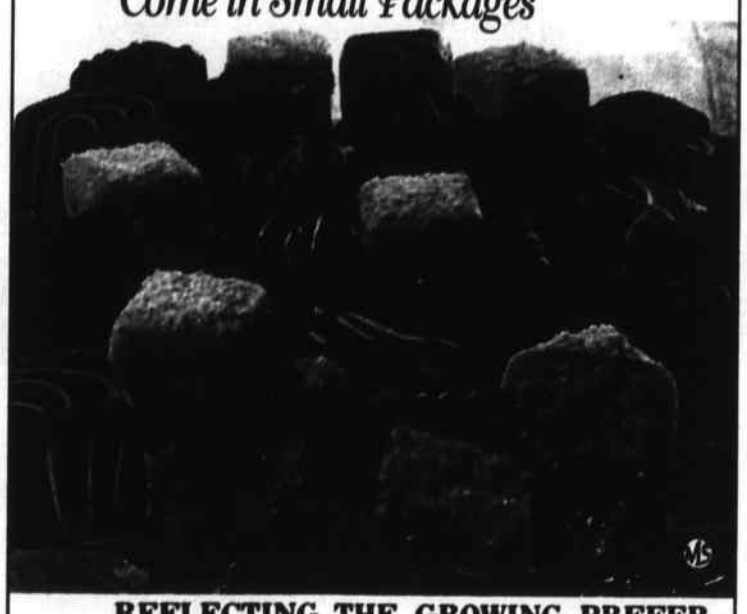
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A list of contributors will be published in Middlesex East throughout December.

Corporations and individuals are encouraged to include their names as part of their donations as efforts are made to promote the fund.

The "M.E. Santa" effort is actually part of the Salvation Army's ongoing service program. Please Help!

Donations should be mailed to:
"M.E. Santa"
c/o Daily Times Chronicle
One Arrow Drive
Woburn, MA 01801



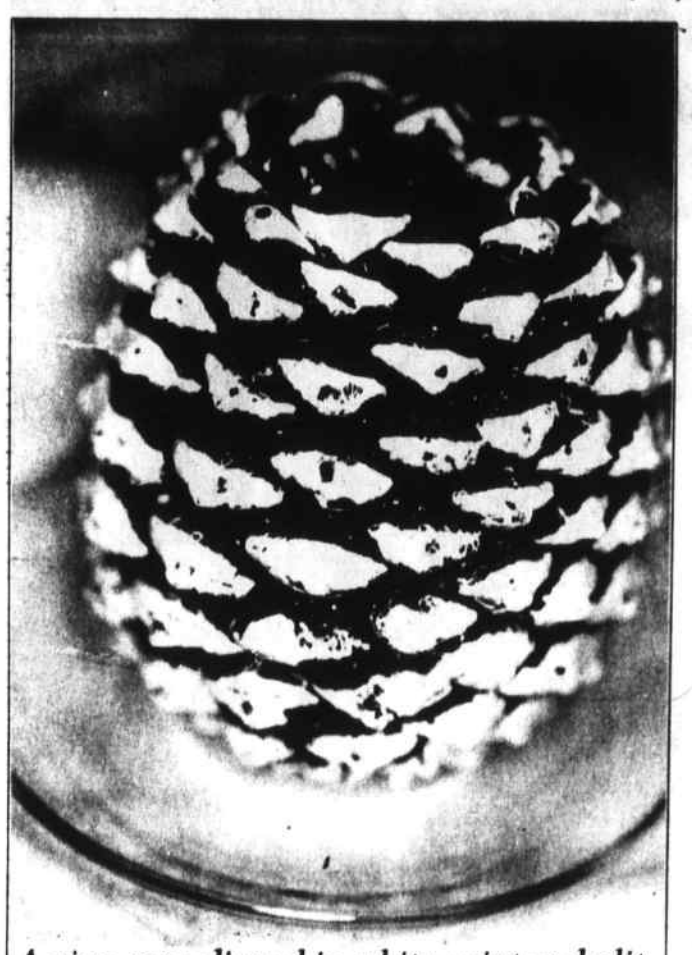


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All Proceeds To Benefit Local Families

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A pine cone dipped in white paint and glitter can make an elegant addition to your table.

Books make great gifts

Giving books as gifts is always a good idea, but it's not always easy to know what to look for. Before you go shopping, be sure to take a few minutes to verify the recipient's tastes. For example, you may both share an interest in American history, but your interests may diverge in time periods.

It's also a good idea to check how much your intended likes a particular topic. This may help you decide whether to purchase a special edition hardbound copy or a simple, less expensive paperback

Pets From SS-7

• Resist the temptation to tie ribbons around pets necks for the holidays. The pets can tighten ribbons resulting in choking or hang themselves if the ribbon is caught on an object.

• Keep gift ribbons and bows out of sight to prevent chewing and swallowing.

• A number of Christmas season plants are poisonous to pets if nibbled or eaten: ivy - moderate to very toxic, all parts; holly - moderate to very toxic, especially the berries and leaves; mistletoe - very toxic, all parts, especially the berries; Christmas greens such as balsam, juniper, cedar, pine and fir - all parts have a low level of toxicity; hibiscus - may cause vomiting or bloody diarrhea if ingested; and poinsettias - leaves and stems low in toxicity. This is not a conclusive listing...there are many more toxic plants. An additional listing of both non and toxic plants can be located here. It's wise to keep plants out of your pets' and children's reach.

• Do not give kittens and puppies or any pet of any age as Christmas gifts. Remember the first weeks of a new life or a sudden change in an adult pet is extremely traumatic for them. Instead, give gifts of pet supplies, food, and accessories.

Then after the hustle and bustle of the holidays, the loved one can make a selection of the selected pet of their choice to bring home to peace and quiet for the pet.

Also, consider adopting a shelter pet. Go to www.mspca.org for more information!

• Increased activity and visitors during the winter holiday season can upset your pet's routine. Try to keep your pet on his regular schedule for feeding and exercise and be sure the pet gets plenty of love.

If you are planning to take your pet with you when visiting friends and relatives during the holidays, be sure to contact them in advance to find out if your pet is welcome. Because of the excitement during the holidays, it might be best for you and your pet to board your pet or hire a reputable pet sitter.

(Sources: www.ocpetinfo.com, www.sniksnak.com/holidays, www.mspca.org)



Candles are an integral part of Holiday celebrations for both ceremonial reasons and holiday décor. After all, what's a holiday season without flickering lights behind frosted window panes. Experiment with the type of holder in which the candle rests. This "Braided Candleholder" is made from salt dough which is comprised of ingredients you can find in your kitchen. It creates an Old World look and is a crafty project for anyone to undertake, not to mention a unique gift idea. Idea courtesy of "The New Candle Book" (Lorenz Books), by Gloria Nicol.

Well Timed for the Holidays

Stay up-to-the-minute, literally, with this year's latest in unique and elegant timepieces from Bulgari. As versatile as it is intriguing, the new B.zero1 watch is the latest daring combination of original design and contemporary femininity that underscores this season's hottest trends.



The watch features a strongly recognizable spiral case, which is developed vertically and is adorned with the circular double logo engraving on the bezel. Like a delicate watercolor, the dial is highlighted by the iridescent pastel shades of mother-of-pearl and is set with a coordinating leather strap, available in lilac, light green, beige and sky blue. It's an ideal gift for a self-confident woman — an exclusive, prestigious, yet playful and casual timepiece.











